

AMALGAM ELECTRICAL MACHINES (N. Berry).—A 6
amalgam for the cushions of electrical machines is
made of 2 parts zinc, 5 mercury, 1 tin, and rub the
cushions with a mixture of beeswax and tallow fat. [225]

Aurora. Coronae found at the point
of the sky to which the dipping needle
points. Humboldt's Cosmos p. 182

Aurora artificially produced.

The light produced between two carbon points in
the Voltage Circle placed at a distance
from each other — is like the Aurora; and
the light is attracted or repelled by
the magnet. Cosmos p. 187.

Atmosphere height of. By duration of twilight, about
45 miles. By barometer — stratum 12 or 13 miles
high contains $\frac{29}{30}$ of atmosphere.

Dalton's Essays p. 76-7

Air charged with water vapour specifically lighter
than free air. Dalton's Essays p. 100

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Articulation — Teachers of Arctic who have
volunteered to assist in the formulation
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Tip - Reading.

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SPRINKLING THE EDGES OF BOOKS.

Sir.—In reply to "A. Submariner, J. M. G." (piece 231, No. 219, vol. II), the following is a good way to sprinkle the edges of books. Take an old toothbrush and dip it into ink; then lay it across the book so that the ink that the bristles formed may not be too large, and draw an old comb through it in such a manner as to make the ink fly off in sparks over the book. This will give a fine, even, powdered-like, or variegated lamination, and the way to make them.

Dred. 1 lb. of the best logwood is boiled with 1 oz. of powdered resin, and the same quantity of cream of tartar, with half the quantity of water, and while the preparation is still warm, 1 oz. sugar and 1 oz. gum-arabic are dissolved in it.

After this has cooled, with pieces of alumina, and mixed with gum, forms a blue ink.

Green. This ink is obtained from verdigris, distilled spirit, and gum, with some gum.

Yellow. Saffron, alum, and gum-water, form a yellow.

These inks also do very well for writing with.

(209.)—**HEATING BATH.**—As no one else has answered this, I venture to say that the plan which I have used most successfully is the following:—The apparatus required is a tin can such as vanishes in a moment, fitting the mouth of the can, and a few feet of ordinary pipe. Half of the hole in the cork just large enough to allow of the insertion of the pipe, and either end of which is to be put down nearly to the bottom of the can. The water in the can must be made to boil, and the steam so condensed in the heat-water will speedily raise it to the top. If you have the most economical mode of heating the water, if "all the world has been at concert," it is by using what I think is called Bunsen's stove. In this the mixture of gas and common air is burned on top of a wire gauze. If this plan is not available the can may be placed on an ordinary fire.—G. BENTLEY, Brighton.

MANGANESE BATTERY.

Sir.—In reply to "S.," who has failed to make the manganese battery work, I beg to say that he should use broken retort carbon to mix with his manganese instead of coke.

The manganese is a combination of the metallic binoxide, but it does not seem to go on except in immediate proximity to the conducting carbon. Hence the broken bits of carbon with which the porous cell is filled must be placed as nearest conductors to the central plate or block.

I have four quart cells, which have never worked satisfactorily, because the manganese was not in proper indication of failing. Indeed, on the advice of the intelligent superintendent of the electric clock at Dover, or the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway premises, I have given up the manganese battery, and its elicited advantage. His opinion was that the four quart cells would work his big clock with four six-month batteries.

I put a rod of hard carbon into a six-inch porous pot, and fill it with broken bits of carbon, about the size of a pea. Then I take a dry binoxide of manganese, and fill the pot with it, so that the manganese will be poured in the binoxide sticks, and needs filling in to cover the top of the carbon rod with platinum foil, as the latter takes up the dryness both copper and tin. The size is unimportant, and need not be larger than it were very little.

I have a very cheap battery, costing about 1s. for a quart cell, and the cost of the materials of a six-month cell. I shall be happy to let it to any brother reader.

W. H. STONE, F.R.C.P.

Barometer ^{and} Facts relating to. in Dalton's Essays, p. 92.

Barometer. Mercury depressed by S.W. wind — elevated by N.E. Explained by W. M. Kibble of Edinburgh, L.

The Boiling Point of a liquid is that temperature at which the tension of its vapour exactly balances the pressure of the Atmosphere.

Paste Blacking
4 oz. Ivory black, 3 oz. Coarse sugar, one tablespoonful of sweet oil, 1 pint of small beer. Heat them together and keep stirring till cold.

To PREVENT BEER FROM GROWING FLAT.—Into a cask, containing eighteen gallons of beer becoming vapid, put a pint of ground malt suspended in a bag, and close the bung perfectly. The beer will be improved during the whole time of drawing it for use.

SELF-REGISTERING ANEROID BAROMETER.—This instrument is designed to show at a glance the various fluctuations that have taken place in the barometer. It consists of an aneroid barometer and an eight-day clock, each with eight-light dial. Between these is placed, in a vertical position, a cylinder four inches in diameter, having a paper attached to it ruled to coincide with the barometer scale. Near to this paper a pencil, guided by a rod of metal, is moved up and down as the action takes place in the aneroid, and at every hour the pencil is used to mark the paper by means of a medium connected with the clock. By this means a black dotted curved line is produced, showing at a glance the height of the barometer, whether it is falling or rising.

12 GALVANIC BATTERIES AND PHILOSOPHICAL APPARATUS, ETC.

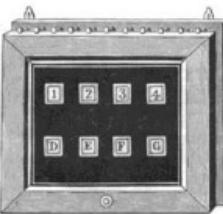


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Bede. ~~¶~~ the Historie of the Church of England - Transl. by Stapleton
1622 first edition of translation 1565. (See Day & Finch)

Book V - Chap. 2. How bishopp John cured a dumme
man, with blessing him.

+ + + " And when one wike of Lent was past, the
next somday he willed the poore man to come into him:
when he was come, he bydd him put out his tonge
and shew it unto him, and taking him by the clenne,
made the signe of the holy crosse upon his tonge,
and when he had so signed and blessed it, he
commanded him to plucke it in againe, and
speake saying, Speake me one word, say yea, yea,
which in the englysh tonge is a worde of affirmation
and consent in both signification as yea, yea.

Incontinent the stringes of his tonge were loosed,
and he said that which he was commanded to say.
The bishopp added certaine letters by name, and
bid him say A: he said A. say B; he said B.
and when he had said and recited after the bishopp
the whole crosse roul, he put unto him sylbys
and sole words to be pronounced. Unto which
when he answered ^{in alle pointes} orderly, he
commanded him to speake longe sentences,
and so he did; and ceased not all that day
and night following, so longe as he could
hold up his head from sleepe (as they make
report that were present) to speake and declare

his secret thoughts and purposes, which before that day he could never utter to any man."

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* It must be remembered that the original of this was in Latin, and that "the English tongue" was Anglo-Saxon.

Bulwer-John - Chirologia, London, 1646. (See Day & Hunt)

Earliest mention of 'numerical alphabet' made by any English writer with the exception of Bede.

Chiologia - p. 103.

"a pregnant example, of the officious nature of the touch, in supplying the defect or temporall incapacity of other senses, we have in one Master Babington, of Basettwood, in the County of Essex, an ingenious gentleman, who, through some sickness, becomming deaf, doth notwithstanding, feele words, and, as if he had an eye in his finger, sees signes in the dark; whose wife discourses very perfectly with him by a strange way of artificologie, or alphabet contrived on the joints of his fingers; who, taking him by the hand in the night, can so discourse with him very exactly; for he feeling the joynts whiche the toucheth for letters, by them collected into words, very readily conceives what she would suggest to him."

Bulwer John. *Philosophus: or, the Deaf and Dumb Man's friend.* Exhibiting the Philosophicall verity of that subtle Art, which may enable one with an observant Eye, to Hear what any man speaks by the moving of his lips. Upon the same Ground, with the advantage of an Historicall Exemplification apparently proving, that a Man borne Deaf and Dumb, may be taught to Hear the sound of words with his Eye, and thence learn to speak with his tongue. By (I.B.) surnamed the Chiroscoper. — Sic curimus Surdis."

Bulwer was not an actual instructor of deaf-mutes, but he is earliest English writer on the subject; and he has the credit of having first before any other individual, distinctly proposed pantomimic signs as a means of teaching language.

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- Blind & Deaf. 1. James Mitchell (born 20) (See *Suppl. to Bulw. - Stevns* page 1)
2. Hannah Lamb — (born 20) — Gentleman's Magazine Nov. 1807
Obituary notice — buried to death at ~~age~~ 9 yrs. 7 mo.
3. Anna Temmermans (born blind - deaf in infancy),
American Annuals of Y. & T. Oct. 1848. p. 12.
(See also Anna Temmermans)
4. Julia Pearce lost sight and hearing at 4 yrs 7-5 months old.
American Annuals Jan. 1849.
5. Laura Bridgeman
6. James Edwards Whistler
See Report of 2^d Session of Amer. Acad. of the Deaf & Dumb p. 167.

Buchner (Andreas Elias). (See Dey & Fawcett No 32.)

Buchner was a professor in Halle, where his original work pub. in 1759. The knowledge we have of it is derived from notices in later works, and particularly, an abstract given in "Essay on the Dey & Fawcett" by T. Cartis. It treats histologically the different means employed to supply a partial or total want of hearing.

1. Where auditory nerve exists — person can hear conversation by means of a thin slip of wood resting against the upper teeth of the speaker & listener.

2. A case is cited from the Breckin Essays, of a man who was made ~~deaf~~ so deaf by disease that he could not hear a cannon — and yet could follow a discourse in church by resting one end of a pine of wood against the pulpit — (which forms a sounding board) and holding the other end between his teeth.

Budding of Animals.

A Medusa has been observed to bud off young within the cavity of the stomach, and these, when developed, have taken on a form which is totally unlike the parent, which belongs, indeed, to the medusa of another and very different family.

(Rev. Mr. Hincks) Popular Science Review.

Oct. 1872 — page 346

Boiling Springs - "Local aquatic insects insentile
to the temperature are met with equally
among boiling springs and in the
frozen plains of the Polar Sea"
Jules Verne's Journey to the Moon
After 19 speech of Michael Aiden

Bleeding to death.



Bleeding

A singular story is told by a Millbridge physician of Rufus Mitchell, aged thirty, who recently bled to death from a slight cut: "He was one of those unfortunate men who bleed from the smallest scratch of the skin, and many times he has lain and bled till it seemed that the blood had all run out, and then he would gradually recover. This time the cut was quite large, and he lived but a few hours. There is something remarkable about this family, who are here termed as belonging to the bleeding family. None but the males bleed, and they are the sons of the females of the same family. For instance, this man has left children; none of them will bleed, but if the girls should have boys in their families, they will be of the bleeding kind, but the boys are themselves free and their families will be the same. I cannot explain this. I have practised in the family for more than twenty years. During this time a number of them have died from this cause, and others have bled, often dangerously."

ELECTRIC WAVES UTILIZED.

THE WONDERFUL INVENTIONS OF MR. THOMAS A. EDISON.

Recording Three Thousand Words by Telegraph in One Minute—Transmitting Four Messages Over a Single Wire at the Same Time—Marvellous Mechanical Ingenuity.

For nearly ten years Mr. Thos. A. Edison of Newark, N. J., has applied himself to the invention of telegraphic systems and instruments. Last year he perfected what is known as the American automatic system, which is in use on the lines of the Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company. This system is based upon his discovery that the rapidity with which electric waves can be transmitted over telegraphic circuits is practically infinite and that telegrams can be transmitted at great speed if suitable apparatus can be devised to transmit, record, and overcome certain interfering phenomena which arose to reduce the rapidity.

A number of experiments upon the Atlantic cable had previously been made by the scientists connected with the United States Coast Survey in the determination of longitude, in the course of which it was found that the time which it took for a wave of electricity to travel from Valencia, Ireland, to Heart's Content, Newfoundland, was less than one one-hundredth of a second. This is not strictly the accurate time, as the passage of the electricity through the copper core of the cable acts inductively on the iron sheathing and water outside, and a secondary current of electricity is set up, which reacting upon the primary current passing through the core of the cable neutralizes it for some time, and prevents the appearance of the signal at the distant end. It is admitted by experimental electricians that a message composed by the transmission of long and short waves of electricity through the cores of the Atlantic cable, from the battery at Valencia to Heart's Content, for example, returns through the earth to Valencia, and thus forms an electric circuit. If it was possible to discover a means by which the secondary currents set up by the passage of the primary signalling current through the Atlantic cable could be neutralized or accurately compensated for several thousand words a minute could be transmitted, and messages could be sent from New York to London for what they cost from New York to Philadelphia.

On land telegraphs the same phenomenon of secondary currents presents itself, but in an infinitely smaller degree, for in this case the suspended wire must act inductively through many feet of earth, and the strength of these currents increases in proportion to the close proximity of the earth and line.

ELECTRIC WRESTLING.

In 1871 Mr. Edison invented a system of compensation for these secondary currents, which although inapplicable to submarine cables, was successful upon land telegraphs. The principle is thus briefly told in his own words: "I found on trying to transmit waves from Washington to New York that the passage of the current over the wire set up a secondary current, which passed in a direction that mutilated the signals. It then occurred to me that if I could attach any device to the wire which also by the passage of the signalling wave would set up a secondary current passing in the opposite direction to the other secondary current, the two would balance or 'wrestle' telegraphically with each other and leave the signals to come clear and sharp. Such a device was soon found. It consists of an iron ring, upon which is coiled a long fine insulated copper wire, a number of them being placed along the line at intervals of several miles, one end being connected to the wire and the other to the earth. A small part of the main current passing through the wire acts inductively on the iron rings, in the way that the current on the wire acts on the earth, but in the opposite direction, and the two neutralize each other.

On the wire between New York and Washington, 3,150 words have been transmitted and legibly recorded in one minute. The average word consists of five letters, and each letter of four waves, making it necessary to transmit sixty-three thousand waves in a minute, or a little over one thousand waves a second. The message to be transmitted is on a long strip of thin paper, about half an inch wide, in the centre of which, and running from end to end, are groups of holes. A large hole serves to transmit a long wave, or dash, and a small hole transmits a dot. This strip is prepared with great rapidity by an operator seated before a machine having a key board like that of a piano. After the paper is prepared it is taken to a machine connected with the wire. This machine is a simple metallic flanged wheel, turned by a crank, upon which the paper rolls, and is carried forward as the wheel revolves. This metallic drum is connected with the battery. Resting upon the paper in line with the row of holes is a lever, with a smaller roller at its end. This lever is connected with the telegraph wire. If the paper is passed rapidly through this machine, the intervention of the paper prevents the little roller from coming in contact with the drum underneath (paper being an insulator of electricity), but the moment a hole passes, the small roller comes in contact with the drum, and connects the battery with the line for a period of time proportionate to the size of the hole. With this arrangement almost any speed of transmission is mechanically practicable.

RECORDING 1,000 TIMES IN A SECOND.

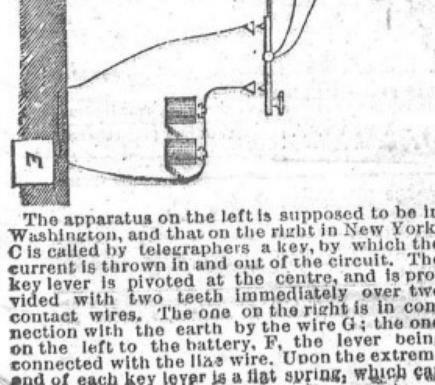
The most curious part is the method of recording the message at the distant station. A metallic drum driven by crank motion, similar to that in the transmitting machine, carries a continuous strip of paper moistened with a solution of Ferri cyanide of potassium. The drum is connected with the earth, and a small piece of iron wire connected with the telegraph line rests on the moistened paper. When a wave of electricity comes over the line it goes down the small iron wire resting on the prepared paper, and then through the paper to the wheel underneath and to the earth; the current resolves the water into its primary elements—oxygen and hydrogen—and the oxygen (which is in a peculiar state called nascent) instantly attacks the iron point, forming oxide of iron. This oxide instantly combines with the Ferri cyanide of potassium and forms Prussian blue—the basis of many writing inks. If the wave is short a small blue dot is formed, if long a long mark or dash is made, and the combination of the dots and dashes forms the letters of the Morse alphabet. The point of an iron wire is thus rusted and cleaned, and a new and colored compound formed 1,000 times in a second by a force 300 miles away.

The system for a long time received little encouragement from the telegraph managers. Gen. T. T. Eckert, formerly superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, was the first prominent telegrapher who saw that it was to be the telegraph of the future.

Mr. Edison has been engaged for several years in endeavoring to increase the speed of Morse transmission by methods radically different in action from those of the automatic, and has accomplished practically what was for a long time considered impossible. More than twenty years ago Gintl, a German electrician, devised a plan for transmitting two messages over a single wire in opposite directions at the same time, and others since that time have tried the same thing, but no success was attained until Edison in 1865 and Stearns in 1869 brought out their systems. Mr. Stearns's system was purchased by the Western Union Telegraph Company in 1872, and was at once put in use on their lines, proving of immense value by doubling the carrying capacity of all the main circuits.

DUPLEX SYSTEMS.

The principle upon which all duplex systems of telegraphing are based is shown in the diagram below:



The apparatus on the left is supposed to be in Washington, and that on the right in New York. K is called by telegraphers a key, by which the current is thrown in and out of the circuit. The key lever is pivoted at the centre, and is provided with two teeth immediately over two contact wires. The one on the right is in connection with the earth by the wire G; the one on the left to the battery. F, the lever being connected with the bias wire. Upon the extreme end of each key lever is a flat spring, which can

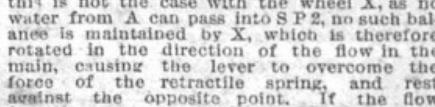
be made to touch another contact point connected with a battery, D. When neither operator is transmitting, both key levers rest on the points connected with the earth, thus completing the circuit, but without any battery being included in it. The flat springs are also disconnected from their contact points, cutting off the local battery from the balancing magnets at each station. The spiral adjusting springs, when the battery is thus disconnected, draw the lever carrying the iron bar away from the limiting screw on the right of the magnets between which it is placed. Both stations are now ready to receive message. We will suppose that the operator in Washington depresses his key, C. The lever to which the line is connected is separated from the point connected to the earth wire, G, and placed in contact with the battery, F, the current from which passes over the line, and through the magnets on the right in New York, thence to the earth through the key lever and earth wire. The cores of the magnets attract the iron piece connected with the lever, and are sufficient to overcome the power of the spiral springs, and the sound which it gives on striking the limiting screw conveys to the ears of the operator a "Morse" signal.

The current from the battery, F, in Washington, passes through the magnet, B, also, and its lever would be attracted were it not that at the moment when the attraction of the cores commences the current from the local battery, D, acts upon the wires of the opposite magnet and sets up a counter attraction, which exactly balances that from the main battery, on the same principle as placing two equal weights on the pans of a druggist's scale at the same instant—the beam showing no movement. By this second magnet and battery, D, the receiving instrument, B, remains unaffected by the signals sent from C. But the current going to the distant stations does not bring into action the local current and battery, hence the balancing effect does not take place, and the lever is attracted. Now, if the operator in New York transmits, he throws in the circuit another battery, which sends a current in the same direction as that of the battery in Washington. The effect of this battery upon the receiving instrument is neutralized or balanced in the same way as in Washington, but the extra current acts on the magnet, B, in Washington, and gives it a strength double that of the magnet on the opposite side of its lever; hence the lever is attracted by B, and the signal is made.

THE PRINCIPLE ILLUSTRATED.

This principle is illustrated by a system of water pipes and water, which is shown in the second diagram.

W. S.P.1. M.P. X. S.P.2.



We suppose one part of the water telegraph, by which the electric wave is illustrated, to be in Hartle, and the other end in Wall street. A is a reservoir containing a force pump, by which a constant stream of water may be forced into the pipe M.P., at the same time throwing a like stream into S.P.1. The water thus thrown into the systems of pipes is insufficient to fill them. B represents a similar reservoir and pump, which throws a stream into the secondary pipe S.P.2, and another stream through the main M.P. in the same direction as the flow from A, the two streams thus forced into the main, filling it. W is a water wheel so situated as to be operated upon by the currents in either circuit. To this wheel is attached a lever, moving between two fixed points, and provided with a retractile spring to hold it against one of these points. X is another wheel, similar to W in all respects. By suitable mechanism a stream of water can be made to circulate quickly in the main and the two secondary circuits. If these two intermediate streams are made to flow from A into the main and secondary pipes, it is evident that that part of the water flowing within the main pipe will, by acting upon the leaves of the wheel W tend to rotate it in the direction of the flow, while that part going through the secondary will operate with equal force to rotate it in the opposite direction, thus causing it to remain motionless, there being an equal amount of power applied on each side. But this is not the case with the wheel X, as no water from A can pass into S.P.2, so such balance is maintained by X, which is therefore rotated in the direction of the flow in the main, causing the lever to overcome the force of the retractile spring, and rest against the opposite point. If the flow from A now ceases, the lever of X is instantly drawn back to its original position. It follows that the wheel X can be affected by the flow from A, but that W cannot, and that signals could thus be received from the lever of X by the sound of its contact with the points. Water projected into the main pipe from B, which otherwise affects the wheel X, is balanced by an equal amount flowing into S.P.2, and this flow from B, passing within the main, so increases the volume in it as to destroy the balance maintained upon the wheel W by the streams projected from A, and causes it to rotate with the stronger current. It is thus seen that the flow from A affects only the wheel X, and that from B the wheel W, by the balancing properties of the secondary pipes; and that the flow in the main circuit is in the same direction, whether projected by A or B, and that it is the increase and decrease of the volume of the current that permits simultaneous signals to be given, apparently in opposite directions. This apparatus is precisely similar to that of the duplex system, in the latter electricity being substituted for the water, and electro-magnets for the water wheels.

A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY.

Mr. Edison's crowning discovery was bringing to light the fact that by a peculiar manipulation of the electric currents four messages can be transmitted over a single wire in various directions at the same time. This apparatus was called by the inventor the Quadruplex. It is used by the Western Union Telegraph Company, and according to Mr. Orton's last report solves the most difficult problem presented to a telegraph manager—how to meet natural increase in business without a corresponding outlay for wires. For this invention the inventor was offered by that company twenty-five thousand dollars cash and a yearly royalty amounting to nearly twenty-two thousand dollars.

In transmitting four messages over a single wire at the same time, four receiving magnets are used—two at each end of the line. Two of these magnets are of the ordinary kind, and respond to currents of a certain strength, independent of the direction in which they flow. The other two respond only to a change in the direction of the currents independent of the strength. A magnet of each kind is put at New York and Washington, and both are so arranged with extra magnets that the transmission of a weak or strong battery current over the wire from New York to Washington through the magnets in New York has no effect upon them. But the current acts upon the ordinary magnets in Washington and a signal is transmitted; if the direction of the current is reversed in New York the other magnet in Washington responds, and another distinct signal is transmitted. While these two distinct signals are being sent to New York from Washington the latter may in the same way transmit two distinct signals from New York. The action of the currents in the line wire itself is complicated, yet no two currents pass each other in opposite directions at the same time, according to the inventor. Electricians differ, however, on this point, some holding that the currents go through the ground, and others saying that an indefinite number of currents can pass upon the same wire.

MR. EDISON'S WORKSHOP.

Mr. Edison is not yet thirty years old; but for the last six or eight years his name has been well known in the telegraphic world. His many inventions of both instruments and systems have done much to simplify, cheapen, and advance telegraphy. His factory in Newark is in a four-story brick building in Ward street. The first story containing the laboratory is a little telegraphic world. Scientific apparatus of every conceivable shape lies scattered about. Cabinets of rare chemicals and chemical apparatus and wires extending in every direction. In one corner is a telegraph instrument connecting the factory with New York and Washington. In another corner is a desk covered with books labelled "Experiments," "Chemicals," "Notices of the Press." The upper stories are filled with lathes, planers, and screw machines. In the second story Stock Exchange indicators are made, in the third automatic instruments, and the fourth is devoted to the manufacture of ex-

Circles

may be drawn of any size, from the 16th of an inch to two feet in diameter, by means of a strong pair, a strip of perforated card and a sharp pencil, as accurately as by expensive compasses.

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Cement for Marble, parian, Plaster &c.

Take seven parts of rosin with one of white wax and when melted, mix with them a little plaster of paris to strengthen the parts to be united are to be warmed sufficiently to melt the composite which is to be rubbed over the surfaces of the joint, which is to be pressed very strongly together. Use as little cement as possible.

by M. Pollock

Cement transparent. Dissolve 75 parts of pure Indian - rubber (amule^t) in 60 parts of chloroform and add 15 parts of mastic.

2. M. Pollock

Cement for Metal. Mastic 10 grains, Rectified spirits of wine 2 drachms. Add 2 ounces of strong unglazed glue made with brandy and 10 grains of true gum ammoniac. Melt together and keep in a stopped phial, which place in warm water before use.

2. M. Pollock

CEMENT FOR STONE AND IRON.—M. Pollock, of Buxton, Saxon, states that, for a period of several years, he has used, as a cement to fasten stones to stones and iron to stone, a mixture of resin, lead, litharge, and glycerine, in a concentrated state. This mixture hardens rapidly, is insoluble in acids (unless quite concentrated), and is not affected by heat. M. Pollock has used it to fasten the different portions of a fly-wheel with great success, while, when placed between stones, and once hardened, it is easier to break the stone than the joint.

[604.]—CEMENT FOR GLASS.—The best cement for glass is Canada balsam (applyed hot).—F. S.

Apparent paradox

When a circle revolves round the inner circumference of another, twice its diameter, any point in the circumference of the smaller circle describes the diameter of the larger.

Consumption - A cure for.

Administer daily for twenty days, six milligrams (six thousandths of a grain) of arseniate of soda. Then stop for forty days, and during ^{the time} Cod-liver-oil and Peruvian bark. Repeat the treatment until a cure is effected.

This remedy is almost infallible for preventing and stopping "spitting of blood".

(Revue Therapeutique)

[85] — ABBREVIATIONS IN CHEMICAL DRUGS.—The following abbreviations are used in chemical works for simple bodies—	
Af. Silver (argentum)	Mo. Molybdenum
Al. Aluminum	Nl. Sodium
Ar. Arsenic	No. Nitroam
As. Gold (aurum)	Nr. Nitroam
At. Atom (nitrogen)	Nt. Nitroam
B. Bromine	O. Oxygen
Ba. Barium	Oe. Osmium
Bi. Bismuth	Pb. Lead (plumbum)
Bo. Boron	Pd. Palladium
C. Carbon	Po. Polonium
Ca. Calcium	Ph. Phosphorus
Cl. Chlorine	Pl. Platinum
Co. Cobalt	Rb. Rubidium
Cr. Chloroform	S. Sulphur
Cl. Chlorine	Sb. Antimony
Cl. Chloroform	Sc. Andesite
Cu. Copper (cuprum)	Si. Silieite
Dl. Didymium	Su. Tin (stannum)
Er. Erbium	Ta. Tantalum
Fe. Iron (fernum)	Tc. Tellurium
Fl. Fluorine	Tl. Titanium
G. Germanium	Tr. Terbium
H. Hydrogen	U. Uranium
Hg. Mercury	V. Vanadium
I. Iodine	W. Tungsten
Ir. Iridium	Y. Yttrium
K. Potassium	Zr. Zirconium
La. Lanthanum	
Li. Lithium	
Mg. Magnesium	
Ma. Manganese	

DRUGS.—CHARADE

I HAVE not met with this French Charade before :

Mon premier est ce que vous m'êtes,
Mon second est ce que je voudrais que je vous fusse,
Mon tout est ce que vous devriez faire.

ANSWER.—Chercher.

[32] — GALVANIC COIL.—"A New Subsection," in No. 236, wishes for instructions to make an induction coil. Prepare a paper tube about 5 inches long and 1½ inches in diameter. Wind it round a piece of wood, say a ruler of the above size, so that it will suffice to hold it at the last fold, also the commencement of the coil, if your thickness is ample. Next let him procure two pieces of wire, each about 3 feet long, each bore a hole in each large enough to admit the wire of the latter to be glued into the former—that will be his primary coil. Let us suppose he has a cotton-covered copper wire, which is to be passed through a small hole in one end of the reel. Now let him then commence winding till the other end is reached, and then turn the reel over so that the remaining coil of wire lies over the other; the remaining coil of wire is to be passed through a second hole in end of reel, and so on till the coil is completed by the force required to wind the wire round it. Now pass two layers of paper round the primary wire and proceed to wind on the secondary wire, which ought

How to divide the circumference of any CIRCLE into any number of equal parts even or odd.

or

Very. Mem. (Pg.)

There is no odd number but from which if a certain number be subtracted, there will remain an even number easy to divide.

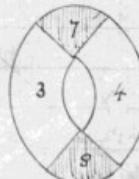
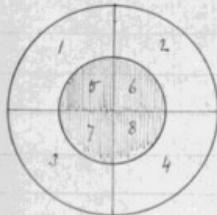
By the Rule of simple Proportion - As the given number of parts are to 360 degrees (the whole circle) so are the parts subtracted to that arc (or part) of the circle which will just contain them.

Question. Divide a given circle into 69 equal parts. Subtract 9 and leave the easier number 60. Then

$$As \ 69 : 360 :: 9 : 46\frac{9}{10}$$

Set off $46\frac{9}{10}$ degrees with your compasses in the periphery of the circle, and divide this portion of the circumference into 9 equal parts, and the rest of the circle into 60 equal parts, and the whole will be divided into sixty nine as was required.

To cut a circle so as to form two ovals without waste.



Very. Mem. (Pg.)

D E F G H J K L M N O P R S T U V W Y

Comets shine by reflected light. Cosmos p. 97
comets. Light of stars passes unimpeded through
the nucleus. Cosmos p. 97

Clouds do not affect the zenith distances
of the heavenly bodies. Cosmos p. 96.

Comets. Sudden lengthening & contracting,
of the tail - optical delusion caused by
changes in the atmosphere. Cosmos p. 132

Clouds. Cirro-strati sometimes arrange
themselves by day like rays of Aurora;
and in such cases magnetic needle
similarly affected. Cosmos p. 183

Crystals expand differently in different directions
when heated. Discovered by M. Mitchell.
Herschell's Nat. Phil. p. 266.

Composition of forces.

(a) If two forces, P and Q , act concurrently
upon a point at any angle θ , and if R be their
resultant, Then

$$R^2 = P^2 + Q^2 + 2PQ \cos \theta$$

(b) To determine the direction of Resultant.

$$\sin R \hat{P} = \frac{Q \sin \theta}{R}$$

$$\sin R \hat{Q} = \frac{P \sin \theta}{R}$$

Chemical Affinity - Hypothesis concerning -
In a criticism of Herbert Spencer's "Modern Philosophy
and the Theory of Evolution" published by
The writer says: Motion ^{to} "Instead of
disappearing at once into space in the shape
of radiant modulations of the interstellar
medium they are detained within the star where
they are converted into vibrations of the particles
of matter; and according as the rhythms of
the vibrations are synchronous or discordant,
or otherwise adjusted to each other the particles
manifest what we call chemical affinity
or not." (p. 350)

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To dye woods.

Blue. Boil first in perchloride of iron; and then in ferro-cyanide of potassium.

Yellow. Iodide of potassium, — acetate of lead.

Green. Nitrate of copper; — arseniate of potash;

Red. Iodide of potassium; bichloride of mercury

Purple. Perchloride of gold; protochloride of tin.

Black. Mixture of Galls; — perchloride of iron.

DRAWING FOR THE MILLION.

Sim.—Let the reader look out of window, and taking a pencil make an endeavor to follow on the glass the outline of any large object outside. With both eyes open he will not succeed in doing so. Now let him close his right eye, and then holding the pencil in his hand steady that he can trace all the lines in perfect perspective upon the glass. The principle applied here is the converse of the principle of perspective.

This method of delineation is practically used as follows: viz. arrange a small wooden frame, with a groove to hold the glass vertically, or pegs to support it horizontally; then, holding the glass, trace the lines of your object with a pencil of French chalk. These can be got at Wins and Newton's, or other artist's emporium. Now take some animal charcoal, and rub it over the chalk, and it tries with pen and printing ink, thinned with turp, the lines you made with the chalk. From your printing ink draw over the chalk lines, and you have your drawing.

This method is specially useful for drawing flowers and small objects, over which the glass can be supported horizontally; also, as your clever readers will at once see, for reducing maps and drawings to any

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Descartes, René otherwise René des Cartes.

His Principia published in 1644.

Work divided into four parts — 3^d & 4th parts contain his Theory of vortices.

See French edition "Les principes de la Philosophie écrit en Latin par Descartes et traduits en François par un de ses amis (Picot) 1724

THE BRITISH SOCIETY OF DRAMATIC ART

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The following list is taken from the American Annales of the Deaf & Dumb for Oct. 1847
Deaf & Dumb - Works relating to, containing information concerning

1. Bede. *The Historie of the Church of England &c* (see Bede)
(*"How Bishop John cured a dumb man, with blessing him."*) Transl. from the Latin into English by R. W. Stepleton T. T. 1622 (Arch. 1842)
2. Beda. *De Loguela per gestum digitorum, libellus.*
(*"Of speaking by the motion of the fingers - a little book"*)
A work - believed to be the same as this - but under a different title, printed at Ratisbon in 1532, is in the library of the New York Institution for the Deaf & Dumb.
3. Bulwer John. *Ornithologia; or, the Naturall Language of the Hand &c* wherunto is added *Chironomia; or the Art of Manuall Recitation*: &c London 1646
(see Bulwer)
4. Bulwer John. *Philosophicus: or, the Deafe and Dumbbe Man's friend.* London 1648.
5. Tighy (Sir Kenelm). *Treatise on the Nature of Bodies.*
First pub. in 1646
In U. 28 is related the case of a pupil of Bouet, in Spain, of whose ability to speak & read the lips the author was a witness.
He refers the reader to the work of Bouet on the subject, in Spanish.
6. Wallis (John). *Grammatica Linguae Anglicanae.*
Cui praefigitur, De Loguela; sive, de locutione omnium logularium formatione: tractatus grammatico-physicus. Oxford, 1653
(2nd Edition - London 1765)

The treatise *De Loguela* is most valuable.

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7. Wallis (John) Letter to the Hon. Robert Boyle, dated March, 1662. Pub. in the Philos. Trans. of the Royal Society for July, 1670.
This letter contains very just views on the education of the Deaf & Dumb.
8. Philosophical Trans. for January, 1668, p. 602.
Containing an account of the natural alphabet of van Helmont, a Hollander, which was claimed to supply a method for the instruction of the D. & D. (See Visible Speech)
9. Holden (Wm) Philosophical Trans. for 1668.
(Vol I. p. 243, of Hutton's Abridgement.)
10. Holden (Wm) Elements of Speech etc., with an Appendix concerning persons Deaf and Dumb. London 1669.
(See Holden - Wm)
11. Libesota (Geo) Deaf & Dumb Man's discourse, or concerning those, who are born Deaf & Dumb, etc. London 1670.
12. Holden (Wm) A Supplement to the Philosop. Trans. of July, 1670. Some reflections on Dr. Wallis his Letter there inserted. London 1678.
13. Wallis (J) A Defence of the Royal Society and the Philosophical Transactions, particularly those for July 1670, in answer to the cavils of Dr. W. Holden by way of Letter to Wm. Lord Viscount Brouncker. London 1678.

Day & Deut. Works relating to —

14. Dalgarno, (George) *Didascalocophus, or the Deaf and Dumb man's Tutor.* Oxford 1680.
A most valuable work. A copy is extant
in the library of the American Asylum, Hartford.
Concerning another work by G. D. entitled "Ars Signorum"
see "Universal Language".
15. Foot (-) Translation in English of Annariae
Surdus Logicus. London 1694.
16. Wallis (John) Letter to Thomas Beverly, dated
Sept. 30th 1698. Pub. in the Philos. Trans. for Oct. 1698.
This is a concise explanation and outline
of a method of instructing deaf-mutes to the
use and the understanding of language, by
writing and a manual alphabet without
the aid of speech. A Latin version of this
letter was pub. in Wallisii Opera Mathematica
(Vol III Letter No. 29,) and also appended to the sixth
edition of the Gram. Ling. Angl. It was inserted in
both English and Latin, in the work, by an American
author (Francis Green) entitled "Vox Oculis Subjecta" 1783
17. Wallis (John) Letter addressed to J. C. Adams, and
published by him in his *Dissertation de Logica*
Amsterdam - 1700
18. Martin (-) Philos. Trans. for 1707. (Vol IV p. 379
of ~~Kettell's Abridgement~~).
This paper reports the restoration of a deaf-mute to hearing.

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Deaf & Dumb. Works relating to —
19 Waller (Richard) Philos. Trans. for 1707.

An account of a man & his sister, who had lost
hearing in childhood, able to read lips well, and
speak intelligibly.

(From American Annuals for April 1848)

20 Burnett (Gilbert, Bp.) Travels through France, Italy,
Germany etc.

This work consists of five letters — the 6th dated
Rome Dec. 8th, 1685 — contains an account of a 7th. girl
at Genoa — who could understand what her
sister said in the dark by "laying her hand on
her mouth".

21 Montebello (Lord) The Origin and Progress of Language.
1773 — Vol. I pp. 177, 8, 9; 181, 2, 3, 4

Refers to the methods of G'Abbe de l'Epée and W. Braidswood
and alludes to several wild men found without the faculty
of speech. (see Wild Men)

22 Herries (John) Elements of Speech — 1773.

23 Arnot's History of Edinburgh p. 425

Large quotes in *Vox Oculis Subjecta* (1783) edition date.

24 *Vox Oculis Subjecta* A Dissertation on the
most curious and important Art of imparting
Speech, and the Knowledge of Language, to the
naturally Deaf, and (consequently) Dumb; with a
particular Account of the Academy of Masters
Braidwood of Edinburgh, and a Proposal

to perpetuate and extend the benefits thereof.

By a Parent. London 1783, 12mo.; pp. 224.

His work, written by Francis Green, contains many extracts from preceding authors.

25. Norton (William) *Cadmus, or a Treatise on the Elements of Written Language.* 12mo.
Trans. of Amer. Philos. Soc. Vol. III. Philadelphia, 1793

26. Watson (Joseph Bell.) *Instructions of the Deaf and Dumb.*
London 1809 12mo. pp. 139.

27. Dutens (Rev. —) *The Christian Observer,* London,
Vol VIII pp. 432-3-4-5 — No for July 1809
On the Capacity of the Deaf & Dumb.

An interesting article concerning the education
of a deaf & dumb young lady (Miss Wyche).

28. Abbé de l'Epée. Translation of "The Method of
Educating the Deaf and Dumb, confirmed by
long experience" London 1801, pp. 228 12mo.
No translator & Editor unknown. Work dedicated
to Lord Chancellor Eldon.

29. Stewart (Fugold) *Elements of the Philosophy of the Human Mind* — Appendix to Part III Chap. II.
Some account of James Mitchell, a boy born
Deaf & Blind. (See Blind & Deaf)

30. Wardrop (James) — *History of James Mitchell* London 1813

31. Gordon (John) M. D. A paper concerning Mitchell,
trans. of Royal Society of Edinb. Vol VIII Part First p. 129.

Works containing Information concerning the Deaf & Dumb

32. *Burkner (Andrew Elias) An Easy and very Practical Method to enable Deaf Persons to Hear.*
Translated from the German. London, 1770.
(see Burkner)
33. Reports of Old Kent Royal Instit. London.
formerly at Bermondsey. First appears 1822 or earlier.
34. Reports of Edinburgh Institution for Y. & S. estab. 1810.
35. *Rees' Cyclopaedia*. Articles "Ear" - "Deafness" - "Dumbness".
36. *Gordon (Dr. John) Edinburgh Encyclopedia*. See Article "Dumb and Deaf".
"Interesting and valuable" says the Amer. Annals.
37. *Moget (Peter M.) N.Y.; T.R.S. Encyclopedia Britannica.*
Article "Deaf & Dumb;" Supplement, 1819 & later edit.
Amer. Annals speaks disparagingly of this article.
38. Reports of Inst. for Y. & S. at Edgbaston, near Birmingham
Copy of Plan of Institute recommended in Report Apr. 1826 pp. 101, 102, 103.
39. *Arrowsmith (John P.). The Art of Instructing The Infant deaf and dumb, &c.* London 1819
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40. *The Mastery of Languages; or, The Art of Speaking Foreign Tongues Idiomatically.* By Thomas Prendergast, Boston: Nelson, Beale, 1866.
41. *The Study of Languages brought back to its True Principles, or, The Art of Thinking in a Foreign Language.* By C. Marcel, Kent. Leg-Hon.
New York. D. Appleton & Co., 1869.
(See page 44)

Deafness - Recovery of hearing by a deaf-mute.

A girl Hannah C. Fletcher - who was born deaf & dumb - heard sounds at eleven yrs of age after a long spell of typhoid fever (1856) and began to speak words. Since then her hearing and speech have been gradually improving.

The letter descriptive of this case (written by the physician who attended the girl) is published in "The American Annuals for Jan. 1858." The letter is dated "Verdiersville, Orange Co., Va.",
Xen. 26, 1857

It is signed "V. Dusenberry Jr. M.D."

D. D. states that he merely treated her for typhoid fever - and cannot explain the phenomenon, Deaf & Dumb. A list of text-books for the D. & D. is given in the Annuals for October 1869.

**Deafness - Tests of - Oscar Wolf
Sprang and Ober**

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Deaf-mutes are said to suffer ^{more} when sick, from noises than hearing people do — That is, of course, they suffer from the vibrations. — Maria L.C. Redden.

Deaf-mute — Recovery of hearing by a —

This is a case of the Ontario Inst. report a case of the recovery of hearing by a deaf-mute at the age of 15 or 16 — followed by the recovery of speech. The girl's name Janet Johnson — Hamilton, Ontario. Educated abroad.

Glycine Painting. This is a method of painting invented by M. Vincent of Mont Reuil, in wh the pigments are mixed with an emulsion of oil and water. It ^{is} to add the fresh appearance of water-colours, and the finish of miniature-painting to the mellowness of oil-colours.

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Elasticity - Striking Example of

Work up a piece of bread in the fingers into a mass somewhat resembling putty. Let it be formed into any shape. It will be found impossible owing to the elasticity of the substance, to alter its form by throwing it against any object - e.g. a wall or a door.

Earthquakes regarded in Intertropical America as the harbingers of abundant rain. *Cosmos* p. 201.
Electricity developed by the evaporation of sea-water. *Souvenille's Physical Geography* p. 90

Electricity in Clouds

Grey clouds - negative

Red-White & Orange - positive.

(in the human body) *Souvenille's Physical Geography* p. 80

Electricity is developed by rubbing the feet on a new Brussels Carpet
By shuffling along for a few moments a spark can be drawn from the finger

sufficient to light the gas.

communicated by P. T. Richards

35 M. Newton St. Boston. Mass.

Electricity - developed in the human body.

1st W. K. — stood upon a chair while brushed his back with a ~~woolen~~ flannel cloth. On touching the gas burner — a spark came from W. K.'s finger that ignited the gas.

2^d The same experiment was successfully conducted ^{repeated} when W. K. — rubbed himself with the flannel cloth.

January 1873.

Electric Telegraph. Telegraphing across the Atlantic ~~with~~ without a wire and without a battery. See Telegraph.

Electro-Magnetism. Prof. Henry and S. Ten Eyck, of the Albany Academy, discovered many years ago that 5-60 feet of wire, used as a continuous coil would cause a U magnet to sustain a weight of 145 lbs.; while the same wire cut into nine equal pieces, and each piece wound on a separate part of the magnet, and the projecting ends properly soldered to the copper and zinc cylinders of the single

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cell, would cause the same bar to exerting 750 lbs.
In a subsequent experiment 20 pieces of wire, each
31 feet long, were wound on a bar, as in
the first place case, and the ends
attached to a copper and zinc battery
of five square feet surface. This
electro-magnet supported 2,063 lbs.

These experiments show a simple
method by which the limit mentioned
above may be evaded, and the
same battery and iron bar be made
to exert a vastly greater magnetic
force with the same number of turns.

They also show how a vastly longer
wire, and a vastly greater number of
turns in the aggregate, can be used
effectively with the same U bar, and
the same battery. We are not aware
that any practical use is made of this
principle, in either American or
European telegraphy. Might it not
be employed successfully to diminish
the size of the batteries employed,
and also the necessity for relays?

"Wonders of Electricity" Strand. F. French & J. Baile
Edited by S. John W. Armstrong; Scribner & Sons
New York 1872. Foot note to page 27

Electricity - (static). "Sir William Thompson has preserved charges of electricity for years in bulbs hermetically sealed." *Electricity & Magnetism* by Clark Maxwell p. 44.

Electrical discharge through rare gases. Colour of light.

In some cases a regular alternation of luminous and dark strata. In a tube described by M. Gaspard (Intel. Otavve, March 1861), the light of each of the disks is bluish on the negative and reddish on the positive side and bright red in the central stratum. (Clark Maxwell, "Elect. & Magr." p. 56)

Electricity. Experiment for the future. Production of continuous current of electricity from permanent magnet. A permanent magnet suspended in a particular way will revolve around a wire through which a current of electricity is passing (Sir David Brewster).

Query - Will not the converse of this be true? If the magnet suspended as before be made mechanically to revolve round the wire - will it not induce in the wire a continuous current of electricity?

Age July 1875

Electricity. Experiment for the future. Current of electricity passed through a permanent magnet from the centre to the poles will cause it to revolve. Will not the mechanical revolution of the permanent magnet occasion a continuous current of electricity in wires connected with the centre + poles?

Age April 1876

For this division of the bobbin I am indebted to a suggestion from Dr Strehill Wright, whose contributions to this department of science have more than once been acknowledged by the Society to be both valuable and original. The great difficulty in this construction lies in keeping the spark from travelling through or over the disc. It was only by thickening the disc, and enlarging its diameter beyond the coil, that proper insulation was secured.

With eight Bunsen cells the coil gives sparks of from $6\frac{1}{2}$ to 7 inches in length. The aureole can be distinctly seen in sparks 4 inches in length. Both the tension and quantity are thus, considering the length of the secondary wire, highly satisfactory.

In concluding, allow me to express my obligations to Mr Hart, who has laboured most enthusiastically to bring the construction of the coil to a successful issue. Whatever be your opinion of my plans as "architect" of the coil, I am sure you will not have two opinions as to his merits as "builder."

On a New Current-Interruptor for the Induction Coil. By

ROBERT M. FERGUSON, Ph.D.*

It is a well-known fact in the science of electricity, that when a spiral of very fine wire is made to dip at its lower end into a cup of mercury so as thereby to complete a galvanic circuit, the spiral coils up and shortens. If the end of the spiral be made to dip very little, the shortening of the spiral will lift the end out of the mercury and open the circuit. The weight of the spiral brings the end down again so that it again dips. The action of the current once more draws it out, and thus an alternate coiling and uncoiling of the spiral keeps up a continuous interruption of the circuit. It struck me that this action, which had hitherto only been used as an illustration of the principle that currents in the same direction attract each other, might be usefully

* Read before the Society and Current-Interruptor exhibited in action, 9th April 1866.

Electricity and Light The more fulness possibly
the more fulness of light will so far alter
the constitution of a substance like selenium
as to turn it from a poor conductor of
electricity into a very decent one.

Article entitled "The hurricane of this year"
in Spectator for March 18. 1876.

TWISTING A BAR OF IRON BY ELECTRICITY.—The remarkable phenomenon, said to have been first observed by Professor Gore, which consists in the very perceptible twisting of a bar of iron by the joint effects of currents of electricity passing longitudinally through and also round such a bar, by means of the insulated wire of an enveloping helix, has been further investigated. Subsequent experiments have shown that such twisting may be made to reach fully one quarter of a revolution. It has also been ascertained that both currents are necessary to the development of the phenomena. Either current, when applied separately, simply produces the effects of magnetizing the bar. The direction of the twist is definitely related to the direction of the current in the helix. In order to produce the fullest effect, the currents must be simultaneous; when they are successive, a perceptible twist results in a lesser degree.

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[250.]—BLUE AND GREEN COLOURS IN FIRE-WORKS.—To make a rich blue fire suitable for rocket shells, mix 10 lbs. of saltpeter, 1 lb. alum, 6 ozs. of copper, 8 salphur, and 30 ozs. of potash. A good green may be prepared thus.—Nitrate of barium, 62 parts; salphur, 10; chlorate of potash, 20; sulphur, 14; and charcoal, 14; suitable for stars or hand fire.—A. SMALLBRIDGE.

RENDERING CALICO FIRE PROOF (G. B. 4.3)—Cotton cloth may be rendered nearly fireproof by steeping it in a solution of alum and letting it dry. A better process is to mix 10 lbs. starch with 1 lb. phenol, a little more by weight of oil of vitriol than of the starch. Grind the dry starch and the salt until they are fine, and then prepare the starch with the mixture in the proportion of 10 lbs. to 1 lb. of starch. Dip the cloth in this preparation, and then lay it flat to dry. When dry, fold the cloth, and allow it to remain till nearly dry, and then iron it, using a little white wax to prevent the sticking of the iron.

Frequency of the English Elements of Speech.

Investigation concerning the relative frequency of the English Elements of Speech made by the members of the Senior Class for Articulation Teachers Spring of 1876.

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V	26	48	18	43	50	39	54	278
W	25	66	32	56	62	54	58	353
A	8	29	10	14	12	26	24	123
E	4	5	3	8	8	5	3	36
S	3	18	8	9	9	12	8	67
Z	6	20	7	15	11	10	27	96
S	12	11	8	17	17	23	14	102
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O	1	17	—	16	10	2	5	51
W	12	45	22	40	27	33	44	223
W	17	24	11	12	18	30	28	140
O	3	10	4	7	7	16	22	72
R	—	3	2	3	16	4	6	34
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Y	10	42	13	18	34	30	39	186

Atmos-
arable solutions to preserve.

Add a few drops of Alcohol or any essential oil.

Gold-bronze Varnish for wood or partition &c.

Mix ioduret of lead and various gums together. Use any gums you like, but select according as you wish the work to stand damp or washing or not; those which are soluble or insoluble in water.

To make Iodide of Lead. Boil Iodide of Potassium with Acetate of Lead in water. The solution while warm is poured into a filter placed over a tall glass jar containing cold water. The iodide is deposited on cooling in brilliant scales of a golden colour and lustre.

Grammatical Symbols &c.

In the Annals for Oct. 1869 p. 201 - reference is made to "the study of grammar by means of the symbols of President Barnard, and the Charts of Professor Peet, or the symbols and diagrams of Professor Morris" &c.

Groce — According to the experiments of Mr Sullivan electricity may be produced by vibration alone if the substance vibrating be composed either of dissimilar metals, as a wire partly of iron and partly of brass caused to emit a musical sound; or of the same

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metal, if its parts be not homogeneous, as a piece of iron, one portion of which is hard and crystallised and the other soft and fibrous; the current resulting appears to be due to the vibration, and not to heat ~~expendued~~, as it ceases immediately with the vibration.

The Correlation of Physical Forces
Chapter on "Motion".

Gravity That gravity should be infinite inherent and essential to matter so that one body may act upon another at a distance through a vacuum without the mediation of anything else, by and through which their action and force may be conveyed from one to another, is to me so great an absurdity, that I believe no man who has in philosophical matters a competent faculty of thinking can ever fall into it.

Gravity must be caused by an agent acting constantly according to certain laws; but whether this agent be material or immaterial I have left to the consideration of my reader.

Sir Isaac Newton's Third letter to Bentley -

Heat. Mechanical Equivalent 772 foot-pounds.
Co-efficient of Expansion .00366.

Quantity of heat, (when the volume is constant) is to
the quantity of heat, (when the pressure is constant)
as 1 : 1.421

Absolute zero of heat — 273° Cent.

Heat. According to the French experimenter Regnault,
the following numbers express the relative
amounts of heat, given out by a unit of
weight of each of the substances named in
the table, in cooling from 98° C. to 15° C.

Al.	0.2143	St.	0.0508	As.	0.0814
Bi.	0.0304	B.	0.2352	Br.	0.1129
Cd.	0.0567	C.	0.2414	Co.	0.1067
Cu.	0.0952	Sienna	0.1469	An.	0.0324
I.	0.0541	S.	0.0326	Fe.	0.1138
Pb.	0.0314	Li.	0.9408	Mg.	0.2499
Mn.	0.1217	Hg.	0.0333	Ni.	0.1086
Os.	0.0311	Pa.	0.0593	(cold)P	0.1887
(amorph)P.	0.1700	Pl.	0.0329	Ka.	0.1696
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Ag.	0.0570	Sb.	0.2934	(native)S.	0.1776
(native)S.	0.2026	H.	0.0474	H.	0.0336
St.	0.0562	Tin.	0.0334	H ₂ O(lig)	1.9080
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Heat. Specific heats of some elastic fluids according to Regnault. Specific heat of $H_2O = 1$

Simple Gases

	Specific Heats	
	Equal weights	Equal volumes
Air	0.237	
Oxygen	0.218	0.240
Hydrogen	3.409	0.236
Nitrogen	0.244	0.237
Chlorine	0.21	0.296
Bromine	0.055	0.304

Compound Gases (without condensation)

Nitric Oxide	0.232	0.241
Carbonic Oxide	0.245	0.237
Hydrochloric Acid	0.185	0.235

Compound Gases (3 vol. carbon to 2)

Carbonic Acid	0.217	0.331
Nitrous Oxide	0.226	0.345
Nitre vapour	0.480	0.299
Sulphuric Acid	0.154	0.341
Sulph. of Hydrogen	0.243	0.286
Bisulph. of Carbon	0.157	0.412

Helmont - Van. Speculations concerning a natural
alphabet (1667) — see "Visible Speech".

Holder - Wm. A passage from the "Elements of Speech"
recommends the use of a manual alphabet, and
suggests the plan of a grammar and a dictionary
for the deaf and dumb; the latter to explain
the names of visible objects, and other words,
as far as practicable, by means of engraved
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Homophenous (*όμοιος φάντασμα*) Elements — Table of.

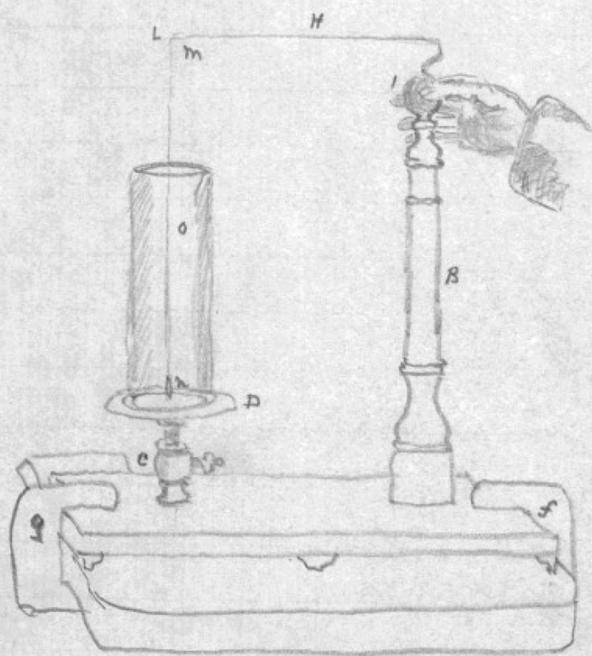
Pseudo-homophenical symbols Homophenical symbols Homophonous Elements

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Notes upon homophenical peculiarities of speech.

1. When homophenical elements succeed one another they appear as one position prolonged.
2. When pseudo-homophenical elements succeed one another the differences are brought out markedly.
3. ow is perfectly distinct $\text{oo} = \text{u}$
4. wo generally, ow is perfectly distinct
5. o is always invisible.

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JAPANNING CARPETS.—*J. H.* To Japan carpets, clean them well from the dirt, then boil them in water, add a good boiled linseed oil. When perfectly dry, beat them in an oven to such a temperature as will turn the oil black without scorching. The stone should be used to rub the oil off the heat, so as to prevent gradually to avoid blistering. The slower the change in the oil is effected the better will be the result. The carpet should be well dried before it receives a new black and polished surface by this method.

[208.]—IVORY MELTING.—“Ivory” wants to dissolve ivory. I copy a receipt from “The Laboratory; or, Art of the Alchemist,” published in 1795.—Take 1lb. of wood ashes, 2lb. of quicklime. In a vessel, let them boil together to one-third, then dip a feather into it, if the plume comes off in drawing it out it is boiled enough. Then strain the water, add a few drops of oil through a cloth, then put in shavings or filings of the horn, &c.; let them soak three days. Anoint your hands with oil, then work the shavings into a paste, and mould or form into what shape you please.—*ANTHONY T. CARE.*

JOINING GLASS [L. Masters].—Dirct the flame of the blowpipe on the spot where it is desired to join the glass; and when red-hot, apply the end of a glass rod, also red-hot, and apply some round the point of contact and gradually draw the rod away from the adhering glass, which will form a short tapering joint. Now, when cold, and a piece of tube carefully on the protruding ends and fix by heat. —*W. C.*

BLEACHING IVORY.—An improved method of dissolving ivory, especially for use in piano, deserves record. The ivory, when cut into plates of the proper thickness, is placed in a flat vessel, and a solution of carbomonoxide of iron, containing ten ounces of soda, to two pounds of soft river water to each pound of ivory, is poured over it. This is allowed to remain about half an hour after which the solution is to be poured off, and the ivory washed several times in cold soft water; after this it is to be placed in another vessel containing a mixture of one-quarter of a pound of sulphate of soda and two pounds of salt water to a pound of the ivory, and allowed to stand over night. The remains of hydrochloric acid, previously diluted with four times its weight of water, are then to be stirred in, and the vessel covered with a tight fitting cover, and allowed to remain 36 hours. The ivory is then taken out, and the ivory plates well washed and dried in the air. Should the desired degree of whiteness not be obtained by one operation, the process may be repeated. As the gases generated during the process are injurious to the lungs, it will be readily understood that the operation should be carried on in a room, or in a chimney, where the fumes can be carried off. —*N.Y.*

It would occupy far too much space to enter into the details of japanning, so there is a great diversity of treatments in the varnishes and substances used, and though a few recipes could be given, they would appear to smooth polished metals at once, the reader could not understand them. I propose, however, to explain the science of the art with a few hints; a little practice will reveal the remainder.

Supposing, then, the substance to be japanned consists of wood; the first thing to be considered is whether the wood is perfectly smooth and level—if not, so much the worse, for then it will have to undergo the operation of

PLANING.—The common priming composition consists of white lead, the whiting is used to give body, and to conceal the surface when it is laid upon. If it can be afforded, by all means improve the whiting by substituting parchment size, a little linseed, &c. The work should be well washed with hot size, diluted with about two thirds of water. Of course the work should be well cleaned.

The priming must be brushed over perfectly even and smooth, and before the last coat is laid on the work should be sanded with fine sand paper. The last coat is then laid on, and if when dry, it will receive the water polish—that is, if after passing a moistened sponge over it, no water are no inequalities, but all takes the water evenly and smooth—why, then no more for the priming.

If however, the wood requires no priming, the work will be much more durable, and will be easily able to peel off; until the priming, therefore, when possible, top it with a coat or two of varnish, and then mix the colour directly upon the varnish; then varnish, and it is perhaps the best to mix the colours with, if the yellow tinge of that varnish is not injurious to the colour used.

It is, in fact, the shooting of the varnishes which causes the difficulty; when we want a white ground, there is no strong varnish but that which will deprive the white, while this the varnish should be strong enough to hold, and that the work wear well, by the proper test of the art.

By the same reason the purity of a blue or even a yellow is injured by the best varnishes, or varnish was, “for varnish is purest when varnish—and the strongest too—and this is a great beauty of varnish.” The above remarks are not out of place, for there are very few persons who know or care anything about the colourless varnishes, though they may imagine all day they use themselves.

To make a varnish, it should be prepared upon—acornmeal, gilding, or otherwise. It should be well mixed with varnish, if possible; if this is not done, add a little turpentine oil, and when dry, cast after the varnish should be cast in five to seven in the average. Sanding is the strongest, and when the sanding is complete, has been applied to bear the polish, polish is with pine resin, dipped in treacle, using a little oil towards the end of the dipping, and afterwards oil alone, until a beautiful gloss has been obtained.

If the substance japanned is metal, it should be stored previous to the polishing, but on wood heat, keep it in a warm room until hard, then the article be wood, keep it in a warm room until hard.

JAPAN FOR BRASS METALS.—We often see this japan made of varnish, in being very common, and extensively used on brass, copper, tin, zinc, &c., &c. caddies, &c. It consists of Brunswick bluing, madder, gamboge, turpentine and strammon, thinned to the proper thinness, turpentine added, it should be applied quickly with a mouse-hair brush, and stored.

BRASS CLAY AND JAPAN.—This is a very pretty japan, and is composed of alum, tin, wove, and batory, I saw it on the bright work of a brass chandelier, and it is very sublimine. It is effected by a colorless oil varnish, with a little blue, and turpentine. The Prussian blue should be ground with a quantity of white lead, and the varnish added to the desired tint. It is best stored. In both these recipes the metals cannot be very bright and shiny.

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Intervals

The proportions of a string which will give all the notes of the Major scale.

Consider the string which gives the "Keynote" to be made up of 360 parts.

<u>Proportion</u>	$\frac{8}{9}$	$\frac{4}{5}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{3}{5}$	$\frac{8}{15}$
<u>No. of parts</u>	360	320	288	270	240	216

Octave or eighth.
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Consonances

<u>Keynote.</u>	$\frac{5}{6}$	$\frac{4}{5}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{5}{8}$
360	300	288	270	240	225

Sixth Major. Octave or Key.
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The pitch of a cylindrical pipe depends on its length. Longer, graver; shorter more acute. The pitch of a conical pipe depends on the proportion of the diameter of the base to its length. Sharper by diminishing either. Vice versa.

THE KYLINDOSCOPE.

Sir.—This instrument was seen by Mr. S. T. Yentes of Dublin, Ireland. It is similar to the gyroscope in some respects, and made others of even an improved kind, but without any essential difference from the original model. As far as I am concerned, it is a new invention. But I suppose there is no name given to, or explanation of, this very interesting instrument. It might be called the "Kylindoscope," in consequence of its being explained by the theory of "couples." What is to be said of it may be contained in two points, description and action. The first is simple, the second is interesting, subject of speculation to some of your correspondents.

I. DESCRIPTION.—A, Fig. 1, a disc, or more strictly, a top, of polished zinc, on which the step stands. The centre of gravity of the cone is adjusted so as to pass over the edge of the support P. Figs. 1 and 2; the whole is then in equilibrium, more or less, in any position. To spin.—It is pushed, as shown in Fig. 1, by a metallic bracket, in which are bored the perpendicular holes d and e. If in fixed by the screw at the various obstructions, of which just now we have spoken, it will be a work of a moment (F) to take the top of the spindle, when the disk is to be "spun." A coiled spring keeps this pivot rod up when not required. Base of the whole instrument is E. Z

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A. Action.—The top, A, is spun, and turns perpendicular slowly, more or less, as the c of g is adjusted with greater or less nicely. Now comes the singular action. If any obstacle is placed in the way, the spindle, instead of going into relative rest, it passes instantly to rapid motion moving along the obstacle and searching into every hollow of it. It is a remarkable fact that the spindle will go round in whatever plane it is presented, the spindle will go along every bit of its perpendicular surface. In Fig. 1, a straight bar is presented, and the spindle goes round it until it is full round, the spindle rolls along, and when it comes to the end



(g) of h, it does not go off into space, but turns along the end, no matter how sharp, and back along the second side and second end. In the spiral (g) Fig. 3, every turn is examined under a microscope, and if any hole or opening in each bend is faithfully visited outside, and if there be any opening, the inside must receive the same careful scrutiny. I have tried every possible form of obstacle, and always with the same result. The third point I leave to the discussion of your mathematical-mechanical readers.

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Letter Copying

Paper wetted with a solution of sugar or honey will copy writing in ordinary ink.

Another Plan

Sponge the copying paper with water in the ordinary way, and after the copy is made, submit it to the vapour of ammonia, which will bring out the writing with great distinctness.

A test for Lead. Caustic Potash gives a colourless precipitate. Sulphuretted hydrogen gives black.

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(353.) INSTANTANEOUS LIGHT.—In reply to "Queen John," the instrument is called a Tachospiron or fire syringe. It is made of a thick glass or brass cylinder, one of the ends of which is closed by a stopper, and the other end is fitted with a piston rod attached to it. The contents of the match paper may be any inflammable substance will do, though by the compression of the air.—N.B.—Be careful to have the cylinder long enough.—THE ROCKET.

Light. Beams of light converging in a point diametrically opposite to sun. Effect of perspective. Thomson's Meteorology p. 78

Light. Phosphorescent rays of sun.

Thomson's Meteorology p. 37

Language — Works on. See "Marcel", "Prendergast", "Teuf & Lump".

Lip-reading. At the suggestion of Mrs. Homer I have decided to employ the word "homophone" (əʊmə'fəʊnɪk) to designate words that appear alike to the eye of a lip-reader and to use homophone in its ordinary dictionary signification.

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The words "Logaphony" ($\lambda\circ\gamma\phi\nu\alpha$
 $\varphi\omega\nu\gamma$, speech without voice) and
"oralegy" or "Orilegy" ($\alpha\circ-\lambda\circ\gamma\omega$ ^{Latin} mouth-
reading) were proposed by Mr. Home
as names for the Art of Lipreading
- but neither has been adopted
although some members of the No-
rmal Class are much in favor of
using "Oralegy". If its derivation
is taken from the Latin it means
"mouth-leading" ($\alpha\circ-\lambda\circ\gamma\omega$) and if
from the Greek its signification
is "seeing speech" ($\circ\gamma\delta\omega\lambda\circ\mu\nu$)
and must be written Orilegy
For Table of Homosphenous Elements
see "Homosphenous"

July 7th 1876

PATENT ARTIFICIAL LEATHER.

The problem of making by artificial means a valuable article of leather out of old and new Scrap-leather, and containing all the essential properties of the best natural article has often been tried, but until lately proved a failure; as the inventors did not succeed in discovering the chemicals requisite for restoring to its original qualities the animal glue in the leather, which constitute the chief strength and of which the raw hide contains so very large an amount; but which to a great extent gets denatured, or loses its original binding capacity in the tanning process.

Through the discovery of such chemicals, and their introduction in the preparation of artificial leather, has the problem of making such an article, of even more valuable properties than the best natural leather, at last proved a complete success, and has been patented in this country, as also in the principal countries of Europe.

The Scrap-leather for such purpose is reduced by suitable machinery to a fine fibrous pulp, and with other ingredients of softening properties through a kneading process, brought into a homogeneous dough, in which the powerful restorative for reviving the animal glue is brought in action, and after evaporation of the surplus liquid, and after being sufficiently dry, by a very hard pressure or between iron cylinder rollers, compressed into a fast and substantial leather, the strength, flexibility, toughness and wear of which, competes successfully with the best Oak leather; and according to repeated trials has proved to possess fully the same wearing capacity for soles, as the best part of the hide having besides the very important property of being perfectly water-proof, and of such compactness and uniformity, that it does not require the hammering necessary in making even the very best Oak leather suitable for soles.

Its water-proof quality makes it especially valuable for pump-leather, as well for cold as hot water, and also for harness, as even a continued exposure to all kinds of weather has no effect on it, occasioning neither rot nor crack.

The following valuable properties, not combined in any other belting yet introduced to the trade, constitute its salient features for Machine belting and its superiority over any other material now in use, viz :

1. It can be made endless, or of any length, width and thickness required, and of perfect uniformity as to wear, which is generally well known to be impossible with leather belts made of shorter pieces of different hides, and of unequal wearing capacity.

2. It will stand any amount of heat and friction as well as the most intense cold—will stretch less than any other belting, and can be changed from one pulley to another with ease and rapidity.

3. It is very strong and substantial in the edge, and will

stand a great amount of ill use without suffering any injury, and through its combined properties, supply a desideratum much needed.

By suitable machinery for moulding, or forming the material in its doughy state into hose, fire-buckets, &c., for which purposes it is especially adapted on account of its flexibility, impenetrability by water, and its capacity to withstand any amount of hardships, as well as extreme heat or cold, it will certainly make the best, as also the cheapest material yet produced for such purposes.

By a different mixture and proportions of the ingredients, a material—Patent Leather Matting for floor covering is made, which, on account of its cheapness, its water-proof properties, and its capacity to keep the rooms protected from the cold and dampness of the ground, makes it an unequalled article for covering Offices, Passage-ways of Public Buildings, &c. It will withstand an immense amount of wear and can very easily be cleaned.

Its suitability, when made of a superior quality, for covering submarine telegraph cables, will no doubt be firmly established in a near future, the inventor being already engaged in experiments to that effect, having been encouraged to such by scientific and professional men.

This manufacture is, however, yet in its infancy, and will, first in course of time be employed for the manufacture of the numerous articles for which it is so well adapted; but it is easy to conceive that in the course of its progress, and by the improvements which will receive by scientific and practical enterprise, it will find fully as many uses as India Rubber, and in consequence of wealth to those, who with sufficient energy and capital, will carry the manufacture of it to what it deserves a doubt will prove itself, one of the most important manufactures of the world.

The cost of the materials employed in its manufacture amounts to about 11 1-7, 134, 16 1-5 and 19 cts per lb. for the different qualities, besides from 12 to 14 ounces of Scrap-leather, which prices, calculated after the present rates of the raw ingredients, would be reduced at least 10 to 15 per cent by a direct importation in larger quantities.

The process of manufacture is very plain and comprehensible, and the whole work, even to the most minute parts, easily controlled by a little experience, assisted by the complete information furnished to the purchaser of rights.

The enormous quantities of scrap-leather hitherto thrown away by shoe and harness manufacturers as valueless, in addition to the oval from tanneries, and the millions of shoes of all kinds annually worn out, fully illustrates the importance of this discovery, and furnishes material sufficient for the manufacture on the most extensive scale, of this unequalled article of Artificial Leather.

Communications in regard to negotiations for the entire Right, or State Rights, should be addressed to P. J. Mc-KENZIE OERTING, Pensacola, Florida. Assignee for the Patent in the United States.

[EXPRESS PRINT.]

Mouth Glue

Ginglass or Gelatine (pure) melted with a little moist sugar, and very little water. Form in thin cakes by pouring while hot on slightly greased glass, and when cold cut in strips.

This can be very conveniently used if, cast into the form of a small wheel about $\frac{3}{16}$ of an inch in breadth, and mounted by its centre in a handle, having two legs at the end next the gum to keep it when lying down, from touching the table. The wheel is to be run over the work to be gummed, which has previously been wet.

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[1102.]—MARINE GLUE.—The following is a good receipt for making marine glue: Take fifteen drams from 8 parts carnauba, cut into small pieces, in 34 parts of coal oil naphtha, promoting solution by the application of heat, and by agitation. The solution when formed, add 12 or 14 parts of powdered shells, and heat the mixture over the fire, constantly stirring it until completely dissolved, and the glue becomes thick. Pour the mixture while hot on plates of metal, so that it may cool in thin sheets like leather. In using the glue, put it in an iron vessel, and heat it to about 180° Fahr., and then apply the glue to the surfaces to be joined.—IRISH MECHANIC.

[1103.]—MICROSCOPE ILLUMINATION.—The cheapest and easiest way of illuminating a microscope is by getting a small common paraffin lamp and mixing with the oil a few drops of spirits of camphor, which gives a wonderful light, and easily light, and can be used with equal advantage for reflected and condensed light.—W. H. CUSHAW.

Moon. Elements of — see Cosmos Book I note 40.

Moon. Apples shaken from the tree during the time of the Full-moon in October are laid to keep through the winter. The bruise is supposed to dry up so as not to spoil the apple.

W. James Mitchell (Farmer Brewster)

Mountain Systems of Asia.

1st North Eastern to Behring's Straits.

2^d Hindoo Koosh west to Asia Minor

3^r Muz-tagh or Karakorum East & South-East merging into the Himalayas.

Keith J. Hunter p-9.

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Mountain Systems of Europe

1. Hesperian
2. Alpine
3. Apennine-Corsican
4. Sarmatian
5. British
6. Scandinavian

Keith Johnston.

Mountains. Centre of the three great Asiatic Systems — Mountain of Parma or Bolor.

Keith Johnston p. 9.

Manipulator. Braimwood in Edinburgh used an instrument consisting of "a small round piece of silver, of a few inches long, the size of a tobacco pipe, flattened at one end, with a ball, as large as a marble, at the other" — to aid in placing the tongue of the pupil in the right positions.

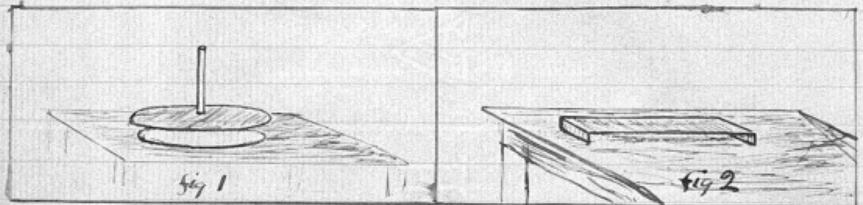
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Miscellanea

Curious Experiments.



1. Take a piece of Cardboard about two or three inches in diameter. Make a small hole in the centre, and fasten into it the end of a quill. Hold this little instrument about half-an-inch from the table (as in fig. 1.), having placed under it a piece of paper.
On blowing down through the quill the paper will rise and adhere to the cardboard.
2. Invert the instrument and lay the paper on the top. The paper cannot be blown off by means of the quill.
3. Bend the opposite ends of a piece of cardboard so as to form two legs about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch high. Lay this instrument on the table (as in fig 2.). It will be found impossible by blowing in any way to make the card rise from the table.

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U.B. Far from there being any appearance of rising, the card bends downwards until its centre touches the table. (as indicated by the dotted lines (fig 2).)

Memorandum

From the "Feminine Republican Club"
to A. G. B.

"Who came to see us when pleasure was ripe,
And sowed among us the seeds of strife,
And made two friends to be foes for life?"
— W. Bell!"

Bracebridge, near Paris, Ontario
Sept. 17th 1873.

From A. G. B.
To the "Feminine Republican Club".

"Oh! who would Sunder friend from friends,
Or pleasure take in endless strife?
I'd rather these two hearts should blend
And yield to me One Friend for life,
Who, Ah, Who?"

Brantford, Ontario
Sept. 18th 1873

Electrical Experiments by Night.

1. Intermittent current of Electricity passed through an empty helix of insulated wire — causes a sound in the coil.

When the electrical pulsations are very rapid — a clear musical note proceeds from the coil — the unison of the note produced by the transmitting instrument. When two or more

transmitting instruments are employed to transmit pulsations of different pitch simultaneously to the coil the two or more notes can be perceived ~~by~~ by placing the ear against the empty helix.

Two ~~the~~ Grove Elements employed — ~~also~~ Resistance of Helix about 120 Ohms.

2. A ~~the~~ wrought iron nail introduced into the coil emitted quite a loud crackling sort of noise (Pitch of Transmitter Low). On holding the nail in the fingers so that no portion of it touched the helix — the crackling noise changed to a musical note — the unison of the transmitted pitch.

3. A piece of clock-spring (steel) held within the coil gave forth a crackling sound. On gradually drawing the spring through the fingers so as to leave a shorter and shorter end within the coil — the crackling noise changed into a musical note when a certain point had been reached.

4. Two wrought iron nails introduced into the coil vibrated against each other reproducing the sound of the transmitting instrument.

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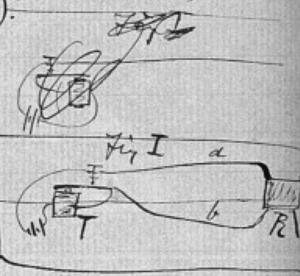
5. A wrought iron nail ^{was} introduced into the coil between two iron cylinders (which projected slightly from the two ends of the coil). A load musical note was the result.



(These experiments were made in Nov. or Oct. 1774
age 17)

6. A transmitter was arranged as in Fig. T. (March 7/5) Current was passed through Rhenorff coil (R). ~~Fig.~~
Wire (a) being fastened to the thick wires of the coil, and (b) to one of the thin wires.

There was thus no metallic communication between the wires (a) and (b) in the coil. Inside a Coal Sound proceeded from the coil ($\frac{1}{2}$). It was the unison of the sound at (T).



7. Experiment varied by substituting an ordinary tin foil condenser for the coil (P_2). A low sound proceeded from the condenser.

8. Wires (a) and (b) were crossed as shown in Fig II.

The one vibrated against the other reproducing the note of T - colour when the insulating material interposed.

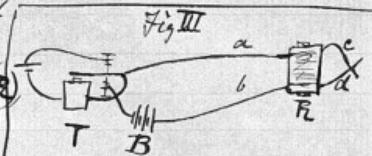
A bright spark accompanied me

vibration showing that the sound was due to an induced current from the electro-magnet of T. A small coil was placed in this and the following

N.B. A peculiar smell was noticed in this and the following experiment - probably indicating the formation of ozone.

9. A transmitter was arranged as shown in Fig III.

The current from a & b were found
The wires (a) & (b) were fastened to
the thick wires of a Bismarckoff coil
and the thin wires (c, d) of the
coil were lightly crossed with
insulating material between.



The sound of the transmitter instrument was reproduced by the spark that passed from c to d.

On holding the bare end of (d) near to (c) so as to ~~allow~~ ^{cause} the spark to traverse as much space as possible the sound became very loud.

The experiment was repeated with about 15 or 20 ^{from} elements (?) - ~~the spark~~ (d) was held about $\frac{3}{4}$ inch from (c). A sensible continuous stream of flame passed from (d) to (c). The note of the transmitter instrument was reproduced so loudly that it might have been heard over the largest hall.

Two transmitters used simultaneously (with battery of 4 elements) produced a seeming continuous stream of fire - from which proceeded a double tone.

(March & April of 1875)
(noted May 17, 1875. 285. 286)

10. Deduction. From these experiments I conclude that an intermittent current of electricity creates a molecular vibration in the conductor through which it is passed. This would explain experiment I. - the number of coils would intensify the movement sufficiently to be audible. We can imagine

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each particle of metal to be turned in a particular direction when a current passes - and to return to its place when the current ceases.

11. A groove 3 feet in length, was made in a piece of wood and filled with mercury. The current from one of the transmitters was passed through the mercury. A very faint sound was heard to proceed from the mercury.
I.B. The sound was so faint and other noises so loud that experiment needs verifying. (May 22nd /75)
(Attempts to verify hypothesis in note 10)

12. Passed current from transmitter through a copper wire which was held closely against the ear. No noise was perceptible.

13. Passed current through iron wire held against ear.
Clear musical note perceptible.

14. Passed current through (a) steel spring, (b) iron hammer
(c) block of iron — In all these cases a musical note was perceptible.

15. Current passed through brass — no sound.

16. Current passed through Carbon (taken from the porous cell of a battery - dry) - Clear Musical note perceptible.

17. Current passed through Plumbago — (connection made with the two ends of the lead in an ordinary pencil)
Musical note perceptible.

18. A strip of brass connected with one pole of the battery was held closely against the ear.
~~and the wire from the other pole was pressed against~~

Contact was made and broken with the other wire. No sound was perceptible. Accidentally - on touching one portion of the brass with the wire - a musical note was heard.

After long experiment to reproduce this note - it was again heard. On examination it was found that the wire was resting on a little spot of wax on the brass slip. One side of the strip was then coated with wax. Musical note clearly perceptible - especially when the wire was ~~rubbed~~ made to scratch over the surface.

19. A strip of brass connected with the one pole of the battery was laid against another strip of brass connected with the other pole - a layer of wax separated the two strips. On holding them to the ear - musical note was perceived.
20. The current from the Transmitter was passed through the thick wire of an Induction Coil - an experiment 18 and 19 were repeated using the induced current. It was then perceived that in (19) it was necessary that the ~~slips~~ fingers should bridge over the space between the slips.
21. One of the strips (mentions in 19) was held in a handkerchief and pressed closely against the ear. The other slip was laid on the table at some distance. On touching the second slip with the finger, the first slip emitted a musical note.
(2-3 Experiments 12 to 21 were made this afternoon May 24th 1893)

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22. Another experiment with Mercury.

The lid of a ~~tin~~ collar-box (B) had melted wax poured into it. A spiral of paste-board was introduced into the liquid wax and the wax was then allowed to harden.

Mercury was poured in and battery connections made at C and Z.

No sound was perceptible — although occasionally it seemed as if a crackling noise could be heard. The outside noises rendered this experiment indecisive.

When an iron wire was substituted for the copper one at C a sound was heard, — this was probably caused by the vibration in the iron wire and ~~not~~
~~was~~ only secondarily by mercury-vibrations (see Exp. 13).

23. Current passed through a cup of mercury in which was floating a piece of iron. Faint noise perceptible.

24. Upon plucking the spring of A (Fig V) the musical note was heard at B (air w + w') about 200 feet long.

When the spring of B was tuned ~~to~~ in unison with A, it vibrated with considerable amplitude every time spring A was plucked.

25. The same effect ensued, only in a lesser degree, when there was no battery in the circuit at all.

26. When the spring B was removed and the coil placed against the core of the electro-magnet no noise was perceptible when the spring A was plucked. Nor was any sound heard from the spring B when it was held firmly so as to prevent it from vibrating.

Fig IV

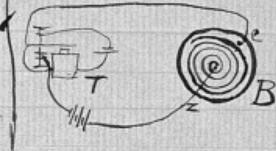
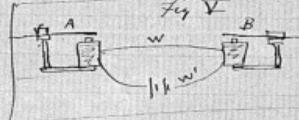


Fig V



AN ANTIDOTE TO NICOTINE.—A bit of news is given by the Lancet which will be welcome to hygienists and smokers. Armand, a Frenchman, has stated to the Academy of Sciences that he has discovered a sure antidote to nicotine. Success has thus crowned the efforts which he has been making for the last four years. He has now no doubt seen that common watercress. It destroys the poisonous effects of nicotine, and yet does not alter the aroma of tobacco. A salve made of this plant would be a good remedy for steeping the leaves of tobacco, and would thus effectually divest them of their noxious properties; moreover, a draught of the same will act as a sure antidote to nicotine.

See Tobacco

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A WONDERFUL FREAK OF NATURE.

THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES ILLUSTRATED
BY A FRENCH PTERYGANTHRO-
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From the Special Correspondent of the New York World.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—I hasten to send you a translation of M. Harnois-Condamine's article in the last number of the *Revue des Merveilles Scientifiques*, about which learned Paris is all agog. M. Harnois-Condamine is professor of Physiology in the College de France L., is a well known writer upon subjects appertaining to his profession, and especially to anatomy; and it is commonly believed that the fearlessness with which he has pushed his investigation and his boldness in announcing radical opinions in science, have alone prevented him from becoming a member of the Institute. It will be seen that he speaks of a brother of M. Foglin as having emigrated to California and being probably alive there now. I trust that your scientific gentlemen will make some inquiries in regard to this person, and if he is still living, to ascertain if the physical abnormalities noted in his brother exist also in his person. It is if the utmost importance to this age to determine at once whether the human race be really a constant species or one that is progressively developing new physical traits and therefore susceptible of infinite improvement in physical mental, and moral regards. M. Harnois-Condamine's article is as follows:

Charles Darwin's latest, and in some respects most remarkable, work on "the Expression of the Emotions in Man and Animals," has satisfied us that it will not be out of place now to publish a brief narrative of my acquaintance with M. Foglin and his family, and an account of the post-mortem examination which Dr. Bravais, of Montbrison, and myself made on his body on the occasion of his unhappy death, September 19, 1871. Some particulars of the autopsy and the remarkable abnormalities revealed by it are already known to our congenial friends in several of the foreign and the professional journals, and I have to offer for the antecedents details is that I believe the condition of a man to be in some sort the work of his character and circumstances. I attach an almost infinite value to what astronomers are pleased to call the "personal equation." Three forces are equally and co-ordinately active in man—psychical force of the will, the muscular force, which acts upon the muscular force acting in obedience to the nervous impulsion. The "personal equation," which is only a more accurate expression for what is called individuality, is capable of infinitely modifying psychical force, consequently of also modifying the nervous and muscular actions. Having no exact means for measuring the personal equation, we can do no more than make a concrete statement of what seems to me to be the elements which compose it in any particular case. With this object in view, I give such imperfect details of M. Foglin's life, person, and character as I have been able to gather, eliminating of course from the statement everything except what seems to bear upon the abnormal variations in his anatomy which the autopsy revealed. I forbear nearly everything which would differ from what people would determine the value of the facts for themselves, and I eschew the use of scientific terminology as far as necessary precision will warrant.

For the past seventeen years I have been in the habit of spending the summer months in the mountains of Auvergne making my headquarters the little town of Laguillaus, which is one day's ride from Issire. Usually, for twelve years past, at any rate, I have taken my residence with M. Andre Foglin and his family, their house being about a mile from the village and commodious. M. Foglin had a certain fondness for me, and was my frequent companion in mountain excursions. He was a man well to do, cleverly educated, and of a frame of character only exceeded by his remarkable physical prowess. He was the descendant of a Scotch Highlander, who came from Dornoch, in Sutherland, after the defeat of Prince Charles Edward in 1745, being then a married man, with one son. He died in 1780. His son, in 1760, married a Miss de Rosier (a paternaust), by the way, of that daring and adventurous balladist Tiphaine de Rosier, who came through a tragical end in 1785), and settled in Armentier, where he died, though never since resided. M. Foglin's father, who was still living, being old and ridden, when I first knew the family, a visionary and hypochondriacal person, had chosen to embrace literature for a profession, went to Paris, but soon failing in health (and perhaps also in fame) returned to Auvergne, having published nothing save a clever metrical version of the *Legend of St. James*, which he occasionally looked into. He became very eccentric in his latter days, imagined that his hair was being changed to feathers, and that he was turning to a fowl. He refused to answer unless addressed as M. Dundon, grew pale at the very mention of trifles, and one Christmas, fancying the cook was after him, escaped out of the window and fractured his skull. From that time he was not afterwards able to walk. His wife, also, was not well educated, was the daughter of an Auvergne water-carrier who had grown rich by the clever employment of his herculean strength in Paris, mounting more stairs and carrying more pails than any two of his comrades. Mme. Foglin determined that Andre should not fall into the errors of his father. He had, however, already become a drunkard, and only permitted himself a modicum of book-lore, in childhood, she educated, and developed his muscles most systematically. When Andre died he was the best swimmer in France. At Besseans once, for a wager, he seized a large anvil and flung it sheer over a house two stories high. Andre was the youngest of five children, all sons, and all eminent for the same strength, and certain advantages of physique. It will be easier to know what becomes of those whom I have not met, none of them being in France. One died in China; one was in Sonora with Raouquet de Boulbon, one supposed to be now living in California; one, who had great mechanical talent, invented a peculiar windmill the operations of which he is now superintending for a company at Saarland; the fourth is a care in the Voges. Andre, the mother's favourite, remained at home and obtained the paternal estate, which his mother's money had redeemed from mortgage.

When I first knew Andre he was about nineteen years old, but fully grown. His figure was not good, for he was short, with apparently no waist; but his arms were very long, his shoulders broad, and his hands and arms a good deal more prominent when he smote the cask. When stripped no one could fail to see the remarkable development of his biceps, the rest of his bony substance of his body to a harp, nor the enormous development of the pectoral muscles which lay in solid masses

over his rounded ribs and sternum, nor the great folds of skin of muscle that covered his back and shoulders, and which resembled those of great serpents along his arms. His legs were not greatly developed, but by reason of his remarkable strength of wind he was a superb cragman and unequalled in a footrace. He was never known to be out of breath in the longest climb; and I once saw him run down a full-grown hare that in vain endeavoured to escape him.

When he captured the breathless animal, which yielded to him from sheer exhaustion, he was apparently as fresh as when he started. To observe him in his native element you must poised on neck, rather long, a square, solid head, eyebrows that jutted over eyes like a hawk's and with the hawk's preternatural clearness and strength of vision; a proud, fierce, aquiline nose; a small, sweet mouth, a ruddy complexion, and profuse red hair and beard. Indeed his Highland blood, mixed with that of Auvergne, made him a fine specimen, his chest bematted with it, and his arms almost covered. His gait was peculiar; he seemed to walk as much with his arms as with his legs, swinging them in the air violently till they flew like the yards of a windmill in a gale. When he ran this motion increased till he appeared to be actually propelling himself in the air like a swimmer who goes through the water hand over hand. He insisted that this contributed sensibly to his speed, and was a mighty aid to agility. Virgil was all wrong in describing his flight. Camilla skimming over the plain, "tor," he said, "to be able to skim lightly over a plain one must have large arms and flap them like the ostrich when he runs."

I hardly know if I can describe Andre Foglin's character. It was made up of contrasts, being inherited both from his father and his mother. The soul of the visionary burgeoned strangely upon the rude practical arm. A man of the soberest, steady practice in business, and thrifty in affairs, he was a dreamer and enthusiast in secret always. He liked the sombre imaginative English literature above all things, and used to say that Shakespeare's "Tempest" was the divinest work of man's conception. The only poetry of ours that I ever heard him quote was that exquisite song of Beranger's, "Si j'étais petit osseau." His voice was unusually strong, shrill, strident, but, singing this, it became sweet and soft, with a touchingly plaintive melody as of regret.

In our frequent mountain excursions, when he was free to express himself and let his innocent feelings have vent, I have seen him lie upon the grass, for hours, for hours, staring at the sky. If he saw a bird hovering over an object long before my eyes could catch them—he grew trefoil, impatient, as if he envied the bird its flight in the free, pure air. But I am writing a sketch, not a memoir, and I must restrain my pen.

One other trait I may notice in Andre: His pulse was naturally quicker by several beats than the average pulse. This I attribute to the fact that he habitually ate food that was largely carboniferous. So full of fats and gravies was he that I nicknamed him Samson, and used to tell him that his proper habitation was among the negroes round the North Cape.

Andre farmed the little estate at Laguillaus with great success. When his master died in 1865, he married—I must tell the truth—a coryphée of the ballet, who, like myself, had come to pass the vacation among

the mountains. Leaving her profession out of the count, Mme. Nini (her real name was Jeanne Lévisse), was a very proper person. Her sweet beauty inspired Andre with the sudden passion that so often seizes enthusiasts. She married him, and though she was less domestic than the good wives of Laguividac usually are, she made Andre happy.

When the Prussian war broke out Andre joined a company of France tirailleurs, of which he became lieutenant. They were attached to the command of Garibaldi and did brave service. Andre was passionately patriotic and a heroic soldier. His Herculean strength and his wonderful endurance became famous so that the Uhlan heard of him with dread. His outpost duties enabled him to come in contact with them often, and he destroyed the lives of a great many.

On picking out morsels between Voucou and Voucou each of his men, a dozen or more of the Uhlan came suddenly upon him. He shot one with his rifle; the next minute a lance transfixed him from breast to back. He broke the weapon short off, snatched the butt from the trooper's hands, beat him from his horse, sprang upon it, and escaped with two feet of the weapon in his body. In hospital at Lyons, where he was sent, he recovered sufficiently to be allowed to go home. But the lung was pierced and there was no cure for that. His health failed, his active habits were broken up, the disasters of his country preyed upon his impotent spirit, and he fell into a consumption. He imagined that there some foreign substance in his lung left there by the lance, and in his last days he persistently urged me to extract it. I told him daily and again what it was that had given him such pain and heaviness. He made it a condition in his will that, assisted by Dr. Bravais, should make a post-mortem examination of his body. And so, September 18, 1871, he died, leaving one child, also called Andre, aged a little over one year.

No sooner did M. Bravais and myself proceed to the inspection of the body than its extreme emaciation enabled me to perceive that its abnormalities were much greater than I had supposed. M. Bravais at once exclaimed: "How could a man so extraordinarily strong at the same time be so pinhead-breasted?" I found the sternum, the chest, extended nearly to the naval, weighed in the middle like a duck's beak-bone. I showed my colleague what a brace and purchase this must have been for the enormous pectoral muscles, now wasted and shrunk. We proceeded to make a regular and close autopsy, organ by organ.

M. Foglin's body measured as follows:

	Meters
Height.	1.67
Breadth across shoulders	.76
Around chest (in health)	1.54
Length of arm.	.86
Length of sternum (from junction of clavicle to tip of ensiform cartilage)...	.35

[The metre is 39.37 inches.]

The great departure of these figures from the average measurements of men of such height will at once be perceived. The cranium was not marked by any peculiarity, although I thought the bone somewhat thinner than is usually the case. The brain weighed 1.19 kilograms. The neck seemed to be shorter than is usually increased in height being a more decided convexity in the cervical arch than is ordinarily found. The spinous processes of the sixth and seventh cervical vertebrae, and of all the dorsal vertebrae, were widened and stouter and more tuberculated than generally occurs in the human skeleton. To our surprise we found some of these dorsal processes ankylosed together, so as to make portions of the spine almost inflexible.

The dissection of the shoulder disclosed to us such a degree of abnormality that we were fairly startled. The clavicle was long, almost straight, and at least a third longer than than in the largest men. Its articulation with the shoulder was a weak and imbedded in a mass of muscle, was trowel-shaped, the inferior angle being pointed and curved inward. It was nearly twice as long as the average scapula, thicker, and its edges, surfaces, and processes not near so smooth as in nature. Cutting through the great thickness of the subject's emaciation, we found the thoracic cavity almost arched up with bone abnormally disposed, the sternum, extending to within half a decimeter of the umbilicus, was more proportionately widened, the superior and second bones were sharply ridged on the inferior surface, and the xyphoid was longer and entirely ossified. The ribs were long, perfectly arched, and very slightly bent, the right side being more thrusted forward than the left, so that there was a slight deformity, and the fifth rib descended much more of a circle than is usual, covering in the upper part of the abdomen. This exp. aimed the barrel-like shape for which M. Foglin's torso was remarkable. The intercostal muscles were unusually large, especially the intercostal internal. There were also evidences of immense contractile force in the superior abdominal muscles.

The diaphragm of the subject was remarkably thin and pale, and in view of his emaciation and his breath it must be concluded that the major part of his respiration was conducted by means of the thoracic muscles. So slight and fragile a diaphragm could not, I am satisfied, have produced the immense dilation which his massive iron-bound chest was capable of, nor could it have sustained the pressure of the deep inspirations. M. Foglin sometimes drew his breath with an extraordinary effort. Among the other muscles which were abnormally large we noted particularly those of the arm, from the deltoid down through all the flexors and extensors of the biceps, trapezius and rhomboid muscles of the back, and likewise the scaleni.

There is not much more to be said about this dissection. We found one lung entirely destroyed, the other in a bad condition, and the rest of the viscera more or less sympathetically affected.

The fearful wound M. Foglin had received was found to be as much as no one but a man of extraordinary vitality could possibly have survived, even for a week.

Now, returning to the subject that is uppermost in our thoughts, what are we to conclude from the extraordinary anatomical variations I have detailed? Without going further (as I presently shall), what conclusion would the rational comparative anatomist be likely to draw from such a series of abnormal features in a human frame, each one separately taken apart from the human type, yet all of them occurring in the same direction as the animal type? Would he not say, if these variations were conceivable before perpetuated, if they were excrent, not decretant, that we have here precisely the point of departure of a new species? I certainly think so. If the constancy of species is a law of the universe, M. Foglin's anatomical peculiarities indicate a mere sport of nature, of no account except as a curiosity, since it cannot be further. These species are not necessarily connected with man in any way, as well as the dove? Why may not this day witness the beginning of a new race? What do these abnormalities in M. Foglin's case make towards? Palpably towards endowing a man with a new mode of motion. The development of the arm, the lengthening of the shoulder-blade, the enclosure of the thorax, the weakening of the diaphragm, the tremendous new purchase and force given to

the pectoral and dorsal muscles, all these are changes from the human type, and towards the bird type. They are nothing, they are simply deformities and perverseness, if they do not lead to that. The arm I dissected was either an abortion or it was the beginning of the framework of a wing. The pectoral muscles, the thoracic changes, were a burden and a hardship, or else they were the commencement of a new phase of physical development looking towards the establishment of a winged race in the remote future.

Some philosopher, reading of man, has said: "We are winged in time; we may have wings." Now opposing (not for the sake of any hypothesis I have, nor to maintain any theory, but merely for the sake of suggestion) supposing that mankind have nearly reached that point of development in which wings are to appear, what would be the progress? First, certain abnormal individuals not winged, but with anatomy and habits approximating to the winged types would appear. In the course of time the offspring, and far more abnormalities, would appear at still higher stages. This particularisation being crecent, not decrecent, and in certain ways advantageous, would not vanish but be perpetuated. Intermarriages would develop the type by each parent transmitting to and uniting in the offspring the features which he or she severally possessed.

Finally, the winged type established in a few individuals, sexual union would gradually extend it, until there was a race of winged men. With what rapidity the process would go on in men we cannot determine until we are able to determine the transmitting power of the psychic forces over the inferior forces in the human frame. If flight can kill, if intense will can avert decay, the degree of this force acting unconsciously and continuously will not be easy to measure not to over-estimate.

Nor must we lightly conclude that it will be an impossible thing for the human frame to develop into a human wing capable of flight in the course of time. The evolution into the mechanism of flight have quite exploded the extravagant conjectures of Borelli, Navier, Babinet, Reaumur, and others in regard to the enormous comparative superiority of the muscular force of birds over that of man. The Chevalier Chabrier, as far back as 1823, established that the elasticity of the muscles was as important a factor in flight as the muscular strength. The researches of Justin de Stramis-Dürckheim, of De Lucy, of Precht, of Wagner, of Koster, and of Marey, have established by myographic tests that the static force of birds' muscles does not exceed that of the muscles of mammals. The strength of the extensor muscles is not exerted further than to maintain the wing in the position for flight; the wing is drawn in when the bird is at rest. Marey's experiments, made with the greatest care, show that, in proportion to its diameter and volume, the pectoral muscles of the bird were not stronger than those of a man. Given, therefore, a proportionate elongation and strengthening of a man's arm, a proportionate development and corroborative of the other muscles, and what a powerful man from flying! That is already formulated the relation between the surface of wings and the weight of body to be supported; and Hureau de Vileneuve has estimated that a bat the size and weight of a man would be enabled to fly with wings less than three metres in length.

But enough of conjecture. Let us return to facts. Whether we are contemporary with the dawn of a new species or not is a premature question. What we know is the chief matter. I know that the pterodactyl tendency which existed in my friend Andre-

Foglin has been transmitted to his child, and in a crescent shape. I have several times examined this boy with great care. The infant Andre's frame is the counterpart of his father's. The arm, those muscles and all have the abnormal features noted above. But in addition to this there are two others, features which M. Foglin did not possess, and which bring the young Andre several degrees nearer to the bird type than his father was. The boy has a rudimentary third eye-lid distinctly marked. When I showed it to the worthy M. Bravais who stoutly repudiates Darwin, he did not know what to say. I said nothing; I say nothing now. The boy has, moreover, what may be called a rudimentary wing or else a wretched deformity. The skin connects the arm and the child when he is at rest lies in a loose fold under his arm posteriorly; when the arm is raised and extended it is seen that there is a continuous connection—a triangular flap of skin from half way of the triceps extensor muscle to the latissimus dorsal!

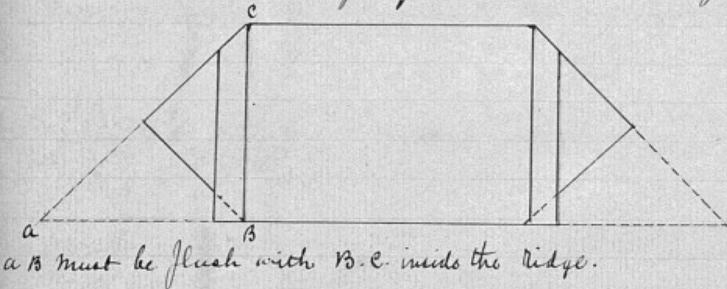
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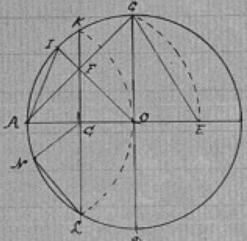
A simple and expeditious method of putting up
Powders, Seeds, Sand, Shot &c in Neat
Paper Parcels
without risk of leakage.

1. Take a piece of paper, longer than it is broad, and fold one long edge to within $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch of the opposite one; turn back over it the projecting $\frac{3}{8}$ in. and to make secure fold both over again to the same depth ($\frac{3}{8}$ in.).
2. Turn the paper over so that you have the plain side toward you, and the ridge at the top of the other side.
3. Turn down towards you the right and left hand top corners, so that the ends may be flush with the bottom.
4. Turn up the right and left hand bottom corners, and tuck them well up under the flaps. (Make bottoms of the corners flush with the inner edges of the vertical ridges.)



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How to find the side of any regular Polygon who may be inscribed in any given circle.



Let A C B D be the given circle

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K.G	" " "	Heptagon
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O.E	" " "	Decagon
H.G	" " "	Undecagon
A.G	" " "	Dodecagon.

[250]—ORNAMENTAL PICTURE FRAMES.—Take 2lb. glass so that half one part of water dissolves the glass in a pan on the fire, constantly stirring to keep the glass from burning until dissolved; in another vessel pour off the water and the glass is lined out. Put this on the fire until both are mixed together. When these are thoroughly reduced, mix the glass together with resin and oil, then add white whiting to it very thin and mixed well together until made into a nice consistency for putting into the mould (about 25lb. of whiting for this will be required).—G. R. J.

[258]—COLOURING PHOTOGRAPH.—W. H. Duister,¹³ will find the following the most simple method.—Begin by washing your ox gall over the photograph with a clean camel hair pencil; when it is dry it is ready for painting. Ordinary water colours are used if they are good. Use the artist's moist water colour washes. By mixing carmine, vermillion, and saffron, more or less of either, as the case may be, you will have a fine wash colour. With this give the face a uniform wash, and let it dry. Now take a very small sable hair pencil, stripe in the half shadows about the forehead and below the nose, face and neck, with a wash of white with a little Chinese white. Do the same way put in with carmine the colour on the cheeks, taking care to let the wash dry into the local dots. Paint the hair with a wash made out of the leaves and purple madder mixed. The halo, background, drapery, &c., are all treated in the same manner, by first washing them over with their usual colour, then with a wash with their proper shade colour, taking care always to let the wash dry much warmer than the former, so that the sun water should be used in the half shadows, which gives to them a soft effect that cannot be otherwise gained.—H. W. WILLIS.

[254]—COATING PLASTER CASTS.—The French made of coating plaster casts with wax is in all respects like the English. Lay on a soft brush, the cast will perfectly dry, this coat of wax will hold the wax until it ceases to do so. Then, when quite cold, hold a hot plate of iron, or, for large articles, a broader iron, over the cast, so near to all parts that the outside wax shall be entirely melted, and the operation will be complete. The plaster will then be dry, and a perfect representation of white marble may be treated in this manner, and will come out of a garden statue without damage, and will always preserve their whiteness. I fear, however, that the air of our situation would be of little service, as the temperature of London summer days would bear carefully washing with a soft brush.—HENRY W. REVELLY.

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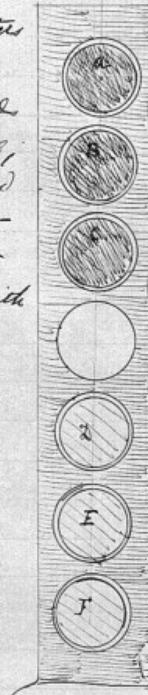
Place three red and three white counters on seven circles, as drawn.

A man of either colour may move towards the enemy's position one step at a time, or round an enemy if the space beyond him is empty. No man is allowed to move backwards. The problem is to cause the red men to change places with the white.

Solution.

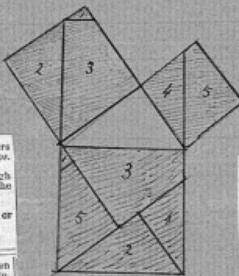
The numerals in the figure refer to the circles, and the letters to the men.

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Mechanical demonstration of the truth of Prop. 47-y Books 1st Euclid.



1. Where a word is to be changed from small letters to capitals, draw three lines under it, and write caps. in the margin.
2. Where there is a wrong letter draw the pen through that letter, and make the right one opposite in the margin.
3. A letter turned upside down.
4. The substitution of a comma for another point, or two points in by mistake.
5. The insertion of a hyphen.
6. To draw the letters of a word close together.

7. To take away a superfluous letter or word the pen is struck through it, and a round top of slate opposite, being the contraction of *devoid*, &c.
8. When a word has been changed to Italic draw a line under it, and write *Ital.* in the margin; and where a word has to be changed from Italic to Roman, write *Rom.* opposite.
9. Three words are to be transposed three ways of marking them are shown; but they are not usually numbered except more than these words have their order changed.

10. The transposition of letters in a word.
11. To change one word into another.
12. In the construction of a period or a colon for any other point. It is customary to encircle these two points with a line.
13. The substitution of a capital for a small letter.
14. The insertion of a word or a letter.
15. When a paragraph commences where it is not intended, connect the sentence by a line, and write in the margin *begin* and *end*.

16. Where a space or a quadrate stands up and appears, draw a line under it, and make a strong perpendicular through its height.
17. When a letter of a different size to that used, or of a different face, appears in a word, draw over either through it or under it, and write opposite to *f*, for wrong *initial*.

18. The mark for a paragraph, when its commencement has been omitted.
19. Two or more words have been struck out, and it is subsequently decided that they shall remain, make dots under them, and write the word *set* in the margin to *co.* for lower case.

20. The mark for the apostrophe; and also the marks for turned commas, and for the like punctuation.
21. The mark of marking an omission, or an insertion, when it is too long to be written in the side margin. When this occurs it may be written either at the top of the page, or at the bottom.

22. Marks when lines or words are not straight.
23. The foregoing specimens, when corrected, would be as follows:

ANTQUITY. Like every other quality that attracts the notice of mankind, has undoubtedly lost that reverence, not from want of merit, but from prejudice. Some writers have indiscriminately whatever has been long preserved, without considering that these always are more ancient than present excellence; and the mind contemplates genius through the shades of age, as the eye surveys the sun through the shades of day. The test of antiquity is to find the faults of the moderns, and the beauties of the ancients. While an author is yet living, we estimate his powers by his worst performances: and when he is dead, To works, however, of which the excellence is not gradual but absolute and definite, and comparative; to works raised not upon principles demonstrative and scientifick, but appealing wholly to observation and experience, another test can be applied than length of duration and continuance of esteem.

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We rate them by his best.

Branderagg - Thomas. Author of: —
The Mastery of Languages; or, the Art of Speaking
Foreign Tongues Idiomatically,
London. Richard Bentley, 1864
(See "Key & Tumb" — + "Language")

Propagation of animals. See Budding of animals.

Pestalozzi's Method — see Manual of Elementary
Instruction — containing Object Lessons.
by E. A. Sheldon. New York, Scribner & Co. 1867

Page's Interrupter (see my D.)

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Rainy seasons between the tropics.

Rain falls during day - not night.

Morning clear 10 a.m. Cloudy 12 noon Rain &c &c

Clouds vanish at sunset. Somerville's Phys. Geog. p. 66

"Rain falls rarely during the night within the tropics. Somerville's Phys. Geog. p. 67.

Shooting Star falling over a blank portion of sky while Aurora was present - made sky kindle up immediately. Cosmos. p. 116.

Sullivan. Currents produced by the vibration of metals (Archives de l'Electricité tome I, p. 480)
see 'Grove'.

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Soldering wire

Moisten the parts to be joined, with soldering acid, after cleaning with sandpaper. Wrap round the join a small piece of tin foil and hold a lighted match underneath. In a few seconds the foil will melt, and leave the join well soldered and as strong as the wire itself.

Eng. Mech. Jan/69

Silver, to preserve from tarnish.

Clean the articles well and brush them over with thin collodion diluted with spirits of wine. This ought to keep the silver as bright as at first for at least a year, without re-application if lying by. When wanted for use, the coating is easily rubbed off in a few minutes. This method soon pays the cost of materials by its saving of silver.

Eng. Mech. Jan/69

Snow. Points of perpetual snow. Snow line highest about 20° from Equator. Higher on Granite mountains than on limestone. Horner's Meteorology p. 45.

Sentiment Method of teaching the deaf and dumb

See Annual for Nov. 1868 Article - "A Better Method of Instructing a Class of Beginners" - by M. L. Brock, A.M.

See Annual for October 1869 Article - "On the Acquisition of Language by Deaf Mutes" by Prof. Edwards A. Fay, M.A.

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SPIRIT PHOTOGRAPHS, AND MODES OF PRODUCING THEM.—The impudent hoax of pretending to produce photographs of the dead, which has recently been carried on so successfully, seems to have excited an amount of interest amongst our Transatlantic friends altogether disproportionate to the actual value of the subject. It would not have excited more wonder than the thumb-nail-of-hand effects of the commonest street juggler. The impudence has appealed, however, to the honest feelings and convictions of the public, and secured some interest, and the recent failure to conviction the photographer Munker has endowed the matter with additional importance. The spirit photograph, however, has made the matter the subject of leaders, and our photographic contemporaries are rife with allusions to the subject. In producing the spirits, although the art of producing them intended, is not a very valuable one, a knowledge of some of the methods may be of interest to those who are interested in it. Mr. Edward, writing to our Philadelphia contemporary, says:

"The trial in the case of the so-called spiritual photographs was recently held at New York, and creating a great excitement through the whole country. I have read the testimony of the witnesses thus far, and have not yet, in all the processes given, for taking ghosts, seen one that I could consider as being really a ghost, defendant, although the processes given will undoubtedly produce ghosts as stated. I have been in the habit of taking pictures of myself, and have done so in a process in which the deception is complete. It is this:

"1. Select a transparent and colourless plate of glass, ordinary window glass being in its composition. 2. Place this plate in a rather strong solution of domestic potash for a few hours. 3. Clean the plate perfectly with water and rottenstone. 4. Select an attractive col- legue, and make him sit in front of the camera. Place the plate, of some one whom you wish to appear as a ghost. 5. Finishing, dry it very thoroughly, using a hair-dryer, or a hand fan, or a hair brush. The person to appear as the ghost may be dressed in a shroud, or in ordinary apparel, and may be taken in full view in part by proper vignetting apparatus. 6. Remove the plate from the solution with rottenstone and water until the plate is apparently perfectly clean, and store away for future use, after marking the side on which the ghost is to appear. 7. When you are sure of yourself (or have this plate over to any photographer), and allow him to take a picture in the ordinary way, of any one who is to appear as a ghost. 8. Develop the plate, and the last picture will exactly correspond with the former, while the former will appear as the ghost." The theory of this process is this.—The kind of glass selected is strong, and is very easily cleaned by the action of the alkali, so that in making the first picture (ghost) the coating of colloid and tinfoil of silver, after drying, adheres to the glass. After the second picture, however, the plate that no ordinary amount of scouring will completely remove the silver compound, although the glass may appear to be perfectly clean and transparent. If this invisible coating is then removed, while the colloid and silver has applied give the ordinary picture. Only the sample in strong nitric acid for a few hours, so as to dissolve the coating of the former silver coating, fail to give ghosts." The respectable members of the photographic profession are shocked at the audacity of the persons who dignified at the abuse of their art and the escape of the magister. Some of them undertook to produce the so-called spirit photographs under the closest inspection, without any success. The secret was known to those who were aware that the trick was intended. The Photographic Section of the American Institute has passed a resolution to present the subject of the spirit photograph to the Academy of Natural Sciences, with a request that they will be surprised at the decision of the magistrate.—*Photographic News.*

Soldering without fire

Sentence method of teaching Deaf-Mutes.

W. Brock says (Annals Vol. XVII page 209) "It has been proved in this (the Illinois) Institution that a class will learn twenty-six sentences more easily than twenty-six letters!"

Signs - Language of — used by North Amer. Indians
See Annals of Y. & S. Vol. IV p. 157 (April 1852)

Signs - Elements of the language of —
see Annals Vol. V p. 83.

Sentence method of teaching Deaf-Mutes.

"The Abbe Chazotter, of Toulouse, formed the theory that all words should be taught in complete sentences" Annals Vol. XVII No. 3. §

This is an outline of his theory, with copious specimens of his lessons, in the Fourth Paris Circular. (Quatrième Circulaire de l'Institut Royal des Sourds-Muets de Paris, 1836.
see page 149 and on.)

Sullivan — Currents of Electricity produced by the vibration of metals.

~~Archives de l'Electricité~~

Archives de l'Électricité t. 10, p. 480
Paper on same subject in Phil. Mag. for 1845 — p. 261

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Seebeck. "Über die magnetische Polarisation der Metalle und ihre durch Temperatur-differenz" Röppendorff's Annalen Vol. VII - p. 269.

(When ~~the~~ compound bar of bismuth and antimony is heated at the junction of the two metals — a peculiar sound was heard to accompany the deflection of the galvanometer needle). Referred to by Sullivan in Phil. Mag. 1845.

Sound produced by magnetization or by telegraphic means.

For references of articles upon this subject or upon any thing bearing upon it see over — a few pages nearer the end of ~~the~~ S.

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Sounds. Relative frequency of the English Elements of Speech.
See Frequency "etc."

Sounds transmitted telegraphy
List of works bearing upon the subject.

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- Rogg. Ann. XLIII, 411 —
- Berl. Ber. I, 144
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AUTOMATIC TELEGRAPHY.

DESCRIPTION OF THE OPERATION OF EDISON'S SYSTEM—INDEFINITE INCREASE OF THE CAPACITY OF THE WIRES AND A SAVING OF BOTH TIME AND MONEY.

[From the New York Tribune.]

The automatic telegraph now in operation between New York and Washington, seems to be growing in public favor. The success of its attempt last winter to transmit the President's message over one wire in a shorter time than the Western Union Company was able to transmit it over eight wires demonstrated the merit of the new system. This system in its present form is the invention of Thomas A. Edison of Newark, N. J., who is now perfecting it. The ordinary batteries are used to generate the electric fluid, and no change is made in the system of telegraph wires on poles now in use. The peculiarity of the system consists both in the method of preparing the message and in the manner of transmitting it to the wires. The message to be transmitted is first given to a man who translates it into the characters of the Morse telegraphic system by perforating those characters in a long strip of paper. This is done by means of a machine called a perforator, which consists of a series of punches, each representing a letter of the Morse alphabet, operated by a double bank of twenty-six keys, resembling in their action the keys or levers of a chime of bells. The slip of paper to be perforated passes over a drum, and is kept in motion by a ratchet-wheel so as to receive the letters in regular sequence from the punches. An expert operator can thus perforate 50 or 60 words a minute. The perforated slip is then taken to the transmitting machine, which sends the message at the rate of 500 to 1000 words a minute. The essential parts of this machine are a drum over which the perforated paper passes, and an arm projecting over the drum and sustaining a little spring which keeps two small wheels constantly pressed upon the drum. These wheels are connected with the electric battery, and the drum is connected with the line of wire over which the messages are telegraphed, so that when the wheels and the drum are in contact the circuit is complete and a current passes over the wires. The dry paper which contains the perforated characters is a perfect non-conductor of electricity, and when it is inserted between the little wheels and the surface of the drum the circuit is broken. As the paper passes along, these wheels drop into the perforations, touching the drum beneath, and thus producing momentary currents over the wires, in the same way that they are produced by the ordinary Morse machine, but very much more rapidly. Of course, as the perforations are so arranged as to regulate the length of the connection, the result is the transmission of the ordinary dots and dashes of the telegraphic alphabet. The receiving machine, which is combined with the transmitting one, also consists of an arm projecting over a drum, upon which the point of an iron pin is pressed. The pin connects with the battery and the drum with the wires. Over the drum a strip of paper wet with a chemical solution is made to pass. Wet paper is a conductor, and as the despatch comes over the wires the flashes of electricity pass through it from the drum to the pin. These flashes decompose the water in the paper, and the oxygen thus set free at once unites with the iron pin, producing oxide of iron. This combines with the chemical substances in the paper, and the result is the production of an intensely blue rust on the point of the iron pin, which rubs off upon the paper, making alternate dots and dashes. The paper containing the message is received on a coil as it leaves the drum, and is carried to the copyists, who translate the telegraphic characters. As the messages are transmitted with such extraordinary rapidity, the capacity of the wire is greatly increased, and twenty perforating machines, each cutting sixty words a minute, it is claimed, would not crowd the wire beyond its capacity.

The great economy of this invention is said to lie in the fact that the work which requires the greatest expenditure of time—perforating and copying—is done with the least costly portion of the machinery, while the wire, in which the bulk of the capital must necessarily be invested, is left free to perform an unlimited amount of work; an increase of its working capacity meaning only an increase of the number of perforators and copyists. On the other hand, by the old Morse system, the amount of work which can be performed by a wire is limited by the ability of the operator to transmit the messages, which cannot be done faster than twenty words a minute, and in order to do more work more wires must be used.

The automatic system is not one of recent invention. It was first tried in 1848 by Alexander Bain of Edinburgh. He was unable, however, to devise any means for punching the characters rapidly, and the invention met with little favor. About seven years ago the same system was tried between New York and Boston, and means were devised for perforating about 100 words a minute. A new difficulty now arose. It was found that in consequence of the existence of what is called the "after-current," a drugged line was produced on the prepared paper instead of clear dots and dashes. For several years the best electricians tried in vain to obviate this difficulty. Mr. Edison, who finally succeeded in overcoming it, experimented during 120 consecutive nights in 1873 on the line between New York and Washington. The method which he conceived is a very simple one. It consists in placing a magnet at each end of the line in such a position that it sends a counter-current into the wire, which neutralizes the after-current, and thus the whole difficulty is obviated. The result is that Mr. Edison's machine marks the characters with perfect clearness. This method is called the principle of inductive compensation, and the claim of Mr. Edison to be considered its sole inventor is undisputed. In the words of George B. Prescott, "Mr. Edison in this respect stands above all the electricians in the world." Mr. Edison also invented the perforating machines used by the automatic telegraph. Before his invention great difficulty was experienced in perforating characters to represent the dash. It was found impracticable to cut dashes and dots with the same machine. Mr. Edison abandoned the attempt to cut dashes in the paper, but cut instead three round holes situated in the form of a triangle. The two little wheels, before mentioned as running upon the drum of the transmitting instrument, are situated side by side, and as they pass over the paper one of them drops into one of the holes intended to form the dash. Before it gets out the other wheel drops into the hole at the other apex of the triangle, thus prolonging the convection, which is still further extended by the first wheel again dropping into the third hole. Thus a dash is made. Mr. Edison is now completing a method by which ordinary Roman characters can be transmitted instead of dots and dashes. This he accomplishes by perforating a number of holes, arranged in five parallel lines, in the forms of the letters of the alphabet. Five wheels are then used to make the connection with the drum, and these dropping through the holes produce letters made up of a series of small dots on the prepared paper at the other end of the line, and these letters are perfectly legible. Five wires were at first used for this purpose, but one is now found to be sufficient to transmit 800 words a minute. The system is perfected no copyists will be needed, as the messages will be delivered to the recipients just as they come from the instrument.

The points claimed in favor of the automatic telegraph are that it indefinitely increases the capacity of the wires; that it saves time by making a whole letter at once by machinery, instead of requiring an average of $3\frac{1}{2}$ motions of the human hand to form a letter, as is the case in the old system; that it makes it possible to transmit twenty times as much matter in the same time as the old system; and that it requires only one or two skilled men in each office, most of the employés being copyists and perforators, who can be hired for \$40 a month, while skilled operatives must be paid \$100 a month. The system is now being tried by the British government, who invited Mr. Edison to exhibit his invention at their expense in case he was able to transmit 500 words a minute. The company, of which the Hon. George Harrington is president, intends soon to establish other lines besides that now operated between New York and Washington. There is some prospect of a line between this city and Boston, which is said to be the best paying circuit in the United States.

A considerable reduction of rates is made by the Automatic Company. For instance, they charge only 25 cents for 20 words between New York and Washington, and one cent for each additional word. The old rates are 70 cents for 20 words between the same points and three cents for each additional word. A question has been raised as to the right of the United States government to use these new lines, or any others that may be in rivalry to those with which contracts are in existence, requiring them to transmit government messages in preference to all others. The opinion of Reverdy Johnson has been taken on this point. It is to the effect that the government has a right to the preferred use of these lines, but is under no obligation to use them unless it chooses.

Tracing Paper. Mix 6 parts by weight
of turpentine, one of resin, one of boiled nut oil,
and lay on tissue paper with a brush or sponge

A SUBSTITUTE FOR TOBACCO.—A correspondent of *Salem's paper* makes a curious suggestion to tobacco smokers. Addressing "the millions who smoke," he says: "If you desire a perfect antidote to tobacco, he says:—"It lately entered into my head to try how some old dried wormwood would taste; and I have now done so. To my great surprise, it was a couple of days' drying in the sun, and it had all the flavor of the best Cavendish pipe tobacco; and it was even stronger than Cavendish. I have tried it in pipes, and also in cigarette form, without the deleterious and deadly poison so freely contained in the latter; and it is at the same time much more palatable. It is a very strong medicine, and while dried, requires no eating to fit it for the pipe; and while a pound of eatable tobacco ranges from 2 rs. to 4 rs., we here have an article a rupie's weight, which dried, will weigh more than a couple of

TRA WINE.—This is a preparation by Dr. Thaddeusum, and is described in a paper read by him before the Society of Arts. To every gallon of boiling water half a pound of tea, Souchong or Congou, is added. When the tea has cooled down to a lukewarm temperature, moist sugar is added, and also a small quantity of yeast; this produces fermentation of the sugar; and afterwards a little alcohol. Fermentation thus ceases, and the tea wine becomes clear and palatable.

{ See Nicotina)

Temperature affected by Asteroids

Coincidence between the conjunctions of the November Asteroids, and the celebrated cold days of the Saints Mamertus, Narratus, & Servatius.

Temperature. Mean temperature decreases from Equator as the square of the cosine of Latitude. (Formulae for mean temperature)

—in latitude by Sir John Leslie, Mayne,
Vanbiussem, Sir David Brewster.)

Temperature Mean annual. Equator 84° . Col 31° . L
(Kirwan) Tolton's Essays, p. 75- T

Temperature. Woods, by hiding sun's rays and covering winter snows, produce greater cold than the latitude in which they grow would lead us to expect. Thomson's Meteorology p. 67

Leemmermans (Anne). Blinde, Key, & Staub. a Protégé of the
Abbé Carton. Education commenced when
she was 20 yrs old at last - for Key & Staub, and
the Blinds at Bruges - in Belgium.

Born at Ostend in 1818.

History of Case in a ^(valuable) book by the Abbé Carton,
entitled "Le Louvre - Muset et l'Avengle"
See American Annual for Oct. 1868 p. 12.

Telegraph — Autographic Telegraph —
or Pantelegraph. Invented by
M. Caselli. Copies pictures or even
handwriting. Full description in "Wonders of ~~Electricity~~
Electricity and Light" p. 129. publ. by Scribner &c. New York
1872.

Telegraph — Acoustic. A series of
vibrating plates, answering to the strings of a
harp, has been arranged, each of which
vibrates when struck by a particular
sound, and sends off electricity to create
at the end of a line the same vibrations
in a corresponding plate, or, in other words, to
reproduce the same sound.
page 142 "Wonders of Electricity" — Scribner, New York, 1872

Telegraphing without a wire and
without a battery.

An Aerial Telegraph from the
Rocky Mountains to the Alps,

The bill incorporating
the Loomis Telegraph Company has
been passed by the Senate, and
with the signature of the Presi-
dent will become a law. The
plan of Dr. Loomis, the inventor,
is to telegraph from a high peak
of the Rocky Mountains to the
highest attainable peak of the
Alps. At each point or tower
is to be erected, on the top of
which a large mast is to be
placed. An apparatus capable
of collecting electricity is to be
put upon the upper end of this

mast, by means of which on such elevation it is claimed a stratum of the atmosphere will be reached, which is charged with electricity. Ground connections, the same as in ordinary telegraphy, will be effected. This electrified stratum of the atmosphere will, as with the ordinary single wire and ground connections make a complete circuit, and it is claimed that the slightest pulsation of the electricity at one tower will produce a similar pulsation at the other. The company is to have a capital stock of two hundred thousand dollars, with the privilege of increasing the same to two millions if the interest of the company shall

require it. The business and objects
of the corporation, as stated in
the bill, are to develop and utilize
the principles and powers of natu-
ral electricity to be used in tele-
graphing, generating light, heat
and motive power, and otherwise
make and operate any machinery
run by electricity for any purpose.

Transcribed by W. Richards
January 18th 1873

Copied from the Boston Herald.

Uranus — 2¹ + 4th satellites revolve in a direction opposite to that of the rotation of the central planet. *Cosmos* p. 90

Universal Language — A project for a. George Dalgarno, (author of *Tidascalophaeus*), published work entitled "Ros Sigmarum" (1661). This was reprinted in Edinburgh in 1834, for the Maitland Club at Glasgow.

Universal Language. "Real Character" by Bishop Wilkins

Universal Language. Leibnitz

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Varnish - turpentine. One Gallon of oil
of turpentine, to five pounds of powdered resin.
Boil in a tin can over a stone (for safety) for half
an hour. Fit for use when cool.

Aug. 1st

Vision erect - Cause of.

Philosophers of eminence have perplexed them-
selves unnecessarily, in attempting to deduce
erect vision from inverted images. The law
of visible direction at once removes every dif-
ficulty, for as the lines of Vis. dir. must
necessarily crop each other at the centre
of Vis. direc., those from the lower part of the
image must go to the upper part of the ob-
ject, and vice versa: hence an erect object
is the necessary consequence of an inverted
image.

Aug. 1st

STAINS, VARNISHES, AND JAPANS.

Sin.—In reply to James Lewis and others, I beg to
forward you the following:—

STAINS (WOOD).

In staining wood it is always in mind that if
the wood is not white the stain will form a compound
color with the tint of the wood; bear this in mind
when using the following stains.

Black stain.—Half a pound of logwood chips in two
quarts of water, add an ounce of pearlash, and use
with a brush. Afterwards take two quarts of the
logwood decoction, half an ounce of vinegar, ditto
cuprum, and add a pint of water to the decoction. Brush
the work well with this, and go over it after-
wards with oil.

Mahogany Colour.—Half a pound of madder, and
two ounces of logwood chips are to be boiled in a quart
of water; brush over while hot. When dry go over it
with a solution of pearlash, a drachm to a pint.

Brown stain.—Half a pound of logwood chips are
to be boiled in three pints of water, until the
decoction is a very dark red, when an ounce of salt
is to be added, and the decoction is to be strained
and then with a graining brush form streaks with
the black stain. It should be varnished when dry.

Red.—Two ounces of logwood, two ounces of
potash, and a pint of water. The decoction should
stand in a warm place several days, and be occasion-
ally stirred. When required for use it should be made
hot, and brush over the surfaces, and allow
yet wet brush over with solution of alum (two ounces
to a quart of water).

Green.—Dissolve verdigris in vinegar, and heat
over a brazier.

Blue.—Copper dissolved in diluted nitric acid
first to be brushed over the wood several times wh-
heit, and afterwards solution of pearlash, until it
will not wash off.

Yellow.—Brush over the work with tincture
turmeric.

In the general way the wood, after being stained,
finds its rubbing with resinous oil, which is then
rubbed with a cloth dipped in a solution of benzoin
spirits of turpentine, and afterwards with a wool
cloth alone.

METHOD OF PRODUCING UPON IRON A DURABLE
BLACK SURFACE.—Varnish. Take one pint of tur-
pentine, add to it, drop by drop and while stir-
ring, strong sulphuric acid, until a syrupy precipitate
is quite formed, and no more acid is present on
the surface of the liquid. The liquid is now
repeatedly washed with water, every time refreshed
after a good stirring, until the water does not exhibit
any more acid, when it is being washed upon
thin paper. The precipitate is next brought upon a
silk filter, and, after all the water has run off, the
syrupy mass is fit for use. This thickish magma
is particularly good for varnishing iron, as it
pays off the paint well, and is durable; but it
is too stiff, it is previously diluted with some oil of
turpentine. Immediately after the iron has been so
painted, the paint is to be rubbed off with a cloth, and
after cooling, the black surface is rubbed over with a
piece of woollen stuff dipped in, and moistened with,
diluted oil. According to the author, the varnish is
not liable to peeling off the surface, but it is chemi-
cally combined with the metal, and does not, therefore,
wear off or peel off, as other paints and varnishes do,
from iron.

Oil varnish.—Varnish. Dissolve two ounces and a
half of sulphur in a pint of rectified spirits of wine
and boil for a few minutes with five ounces of well-
burnt and recently-heated animal charcoal. A small
portion of the solution should then be filtered, and if no colourless, more charcoal must be added. When all
colour is removed, press the liquor through a piece of
silk, and afterwards filter through fine blotting-paper.
This kind of varnish should be used in a room at least
60 degrees. Fairly perfect oil varnish will keep
in a few months, and is not liable afterwards to
chill or bloom. It is particularly applicable to draw-
ings and prints that have been sized, and may be
advantageously used upon oil paintings, which are
thoroughly hard and dry, as it brings out the colours
of the picture, and its brilliancy prevents it from
obscuring gilding, and renders it particularly good for
all kinds of leather, as it does not yield to the warmth
of the hand, and resists damp, which subjects leather
to mildew. Its useful applications are very numerous
—indeed, to all the purposes of the best hard spirit
varnish.

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Runes. The part not illuminated by the Sun
is sometimes seen to shine with a phosphorescent
kind of light. *Cosmos* p. 188.

Visible Speech. In the Philosophical Transactions for
January 1668 p. 602 is an account of a tract
by Van Helmont, a Hollander, published
in Latin and German the year before at Sulzbach,
containing speculations concerning a natural
alphabet, which he supposed identical with
the Hebrew, imagining ~~that~~ the Hebrew characters
to be in their form a picture of the modifications
of the vocal organs in their pronunciation.

American Annuals of the Day & Year (Oct. 1847.) Vol I, No I p 38

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VARNISHES.
As a rule, all varnishes should be kept in a dry place (there may be a few exceptions, otherwise they are liable to become tacky). It should also be observed that they be applied in a dry place. Much, indeed, depends upon the state of the weather when they are applied—more than is easily credited—and the work should be kept in a warm place until thoroughly dry.
All varnishes in which spirits of wine is the menstruum should be used in a warm place.

Foremost among varnishes is the real orange.

FRENCH POLISH—Gum sandarach, 1 oz. and 1 drachm. Gum mastic, in drops, 1 oz. and 1 drachm. Shellac (the yellower the better), 1 oz. and 1 drachm. Alcohol, of 62° sp. gr., 3 quarts and 1 pint.

If the woods are porous, 7oz. and 1 drachm of Venice turpentine.

If, also, an equal weight of ground glass with the gums be added, the solution will be more quickly made, and otherwise benefited by it. Before using, the wood should be made to imbibe a little linseed oil, the excess of which should be removed by an old flannel.

The varnish should be applied by saturating a piece of old soft coarse linen cloth, folded into a sort of cushion, rubbing the wood softly at first, turning the linen from time to time until nearly dry. The linen should be saturated afresh, and the rubbing continued until the pores of the wood are completely filled.

Two or three coats are generally sufficient. Do not hard. If the varnish becomes tacky, apply a very little drop of olive oil uniformly over the surface of the finish.

The finishing process consists in pouring a little pure alcohol upon a clean piece of linen, which is lightly abraded upon the varnished wood, and as the linen and varnish dry, the varnish will become perfectly clear.

The above may be relied upon as the original and genuine French polish, it being in the "Dictionnaire de l'Academie Francaise," as accurate French work.

SEEDLIC VARNISH.—Wash three ounces of seedlin several waters, dry it, and powder it coarsely; dissolve it in one pint of rectified spirits of wine, put it in a gentle heat—shaking as often as convenient—till it appears dissolved, pour off the clear, and strain the remainder.

SANDARAC VARNISH.—A colourless varnish may be obtained by dissolving 1oz. of gum sandarac in 1oz. of Venetian turpentine in 16oz. of alcohol by the heat; it is not very hard, however.
ASTIC VARNISH.—Nastic should be dissolved in turpentine.

DORBINDERS' VARNISH—Five ounces of turpentine should be dissolved in close glass vessels, by means of a little heat. This varnish is extensively used in transcriptions, &c.

CAEGOTHEA VARNISH.—Five ounces of shells are to be dissolved in one quart of rectified spirits of wine; add ten grains of aloes, and recently beaten animal charcoal, boil a few minutes; subtract a little of the liquid and see if it is colorless; if not add a little more charcoal. When colourless, strain through a cloth, and afterwards filter through blotting paper; if necessary, purify, strain when cold.

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Cog-wheel Diameters.

Tech. Num. 169.

The distance between the centres of two cog-wheels having different nos. of teeth being given, - what must their respective diameters be to make the teeth on both wheels of equal size, and the spaces between them equal so that either may turn the other easily and freely?

As the number of teeth in both wheels taken together is to the distance between their centres so is the number of teeth on either wheel to the radius of that wheel.

Question. Let there be two wheels of equal teeth and spaces; one is to have 75 teeth and the other 33; and their centres are to be 5 inches apart, what are their respective diameters?

The sum of teeth in both wheels is 108, then

$$\text{As } 108 \text{ is to } 5 \text{ so is } 33 \text{ to } 1\frac{53}{100} \text{ inches and}$$
$$\text{As } 108 : 5 :: 75 : 3\frac{47}{100} \text{ inches.}$$

WATERPROOF.—
A French paper, devoted to the paper manufacture, states that any alterations or falsifications of writings in ordinary ink may be rendered impossible by passing the paper upon which it is intended to write through a solution of caustic soda in pure distilled water. After the paper thus passes has been dried in the sun, it may be used as ordinary paper for writing; but any attempt made to alter, falsify, or change anything written thereon will be left perfectly visible, and may thus be readily detected.

WATERPROOF.—

Times says — By the way, touching waterproofs, I think I can give travellers a valuable hint or two. For many years I have worn Indian-rubber waterproofs, and will say no more, for I have learned that good Scottish tweed can be made completely impervious to rain, and, moreover, I have learned how to make it so; and, for the benefit of my readers, I will here give the recipe:—In a vessel of soft water put 4 lbs. of sugar of lead and 4 lbs. of powdered alum; stir this at intervals until it becomes clear; then pour it off into another bucket and put the garment therein, and let it be in for twenty-four hours, and then hang it up to dry without exposing it. Two of my party—a lady and gentleman—wore garments thus treated in the wildest storm of wind and rain without getting wet. The rain hangs upon the cloth in globules. In short, they are really waterproof. A few days ago, a fortnight ago, walked nine miles in a storm of rain and wind such as you rarely see in the south; and when he slipped off his overcoat, his under clothes were as dry as when he put them on. This is, I think, a secret worth knowing; for cloth, if it can be made to keep out wet, is in every way better than what we know as waterproofs."

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How to make moist Water-colours.

Collect the stamens of brilliantly coloured flowers, such as the saffron-crocus or the purple lily; - and make a strong tincture with ^a ~~or water~~ spirit of wine. Add a small quantity of hydrate of alumina. This will attract the colouring matter and both will be precipitated. Pour off the clear, and add a few drops of acetic acid, which will dissolve the alumina, leaving the colour pure. Wash carefully; dry by gentle evaporation. Mix with honey and a little gum, to a thick paste wh^{ch} is to be kept covered.

Wild Hen. One found near Hess-Cassel, in 1344, none when taken, but taught to speak; one in the Forest of Lithuania in 1694; others in the Pyrenees, 1719; and the Hanoverian in the reign of George I.

(see *Eng. & Scott. - Montrose (Lond.)*)

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~~original~~
The discovery that musical notes sounds
of different pitch could be produced
~~simultaneously upon an~~
~~by the electric current.~~

The simultaneous production of
musical notes of different pitch by the
electric current.

I claim to have discovered that sounds
of different pitch can be transmitted
along a wire by the application of
the electric current and to have
utilized this discovery as a means
of transmitting multiple or
telegraphic ~~signals~~ simultaneously
along the same wire.

The system of ~~telegraphy~~ multiple telegraphy
~~invented~~ ~~independently~~ in 1870, but
elaborated by me afterwards is based upon
the discovery made by me in 1870 that
musical sounds of different pitch can be
transmitted electrically upon the same wire.

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$$\begin{array}{r} 16 \\ \underline{\quad 12} \\ 19 \ 2 \\ \underline{250} \\ 4 \ 4 \ 2 \\ \underline{175} \\ 617 \\ \underline{500} \\ 117 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ 200 \\ \hline 230 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 50 \\ \underline{5} \\ 250 \end{array}$$

Telegraphic & Telephonic apparatus.

Researches in Telephony or the
art of transmitting sound to a distance
by the electric current.

Exhibit consists of

The Patents - three in number.

~~The history of Statement of inventions.~~

~~Recent~~ Article embodying the results
of my researches in Telephony -
Telephonic apparatus

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Telegraphic & Telephonic apparatus. Statement
of Telegraphic & Telephonic inventions - Specifically
of three patents for ~~Telephony~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~art~~ ~~of~~ ~~transmitting~~
of said ~~Telephony~~ original statement. Embodiment
original Researches in Telephony.

Telegraphic & Telephonic apparatus - and
papers relating to original discoveries & work
concerning the production ~~Statement of current research~~
~~describing of~~ ⁱⁿ ~~Telephony~~ ~~in~~ ~~telephonic~~ ~~inventions~~ ~~discoveries~~
~~relating~~ ⁱⁿ ~~to~~ ~~original~~ ~~Researches~~ ~~in~~ ~~Telephony~~.

The telephonic ^{instruments} apparatus consists first of apparatus for the train.

The ^{instruments} exhibited are designed to illustrate a new system of telegraphy whereby a large number of telegraphic despatchers may be sent simultaneously along ~~a single line~~ the same circuit. The

The instruments exhibited are designed to illustrate the production of sounds ^{qualitatively} by the electrical current

